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AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WARNS GREAT BRITAIN

That Much Feeling Has Been Aroused in This Country and Public Criticism is General Over Unwarranted Interference With Legitimate Foreign Trade of the United States—Long Note Dispatched Yesterday.

INSISTS ON EARLY IMPROVEMENT IN TREATMENT OFAMERICAN COMMERCE

Document Constitutes Strongest Representation on Subject Made by United States to Any of the Belligerents—Has Been a Month in Preparation, President Wilson Having Given it Two Weeks Consideration.

Washington, December 28. — The United States government today dispatched a long note to Great Britain, insisting on an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by British fleets. It warned England that much feeling had been aroused in this country and that public criticism was general over unwarranted interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States.

The document, constituting the strongest representation on the subject made by the United States to any of the belligerents, was cabled to Ambassador Page, to be formally presented to Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary. Its preparation was begun a month ago by Solicitor Cone Johnson, Counsellor Robert Lansing, and Secretary Bryan, and during the last two weeks had the personal attention of President Wilson, who revised its phraseology with minute care.

As the detailed point of view of the United States in the numerous specific cases of detentions and seizures of cargoes had been set forth in a series of emphatic protests, most of which have gone unheeded, today's communication was couched in general terms covering the entire subject of the relations between the United States and Great Britain as affected by the latter's naval policy, considered highly objectionable to this government.

The note declares at the outset that the representations are made in a friendly spirit, but that the United States considers it best to speak in terms of frankness lest silence be construed as an acquiescence to a policy of Great Britain which infringes the rights of American citizens under the laws of the nations.

Since France has adopted virtually the same decrees on contraband as has Great Britain, today's note is a statement intended for all members of the Triple Entente.

The document points out that complaints on every side and public criticisms in the United States holds the British policy as directly responsible for the depression in many American industries. Reimbursement alone for cargoes unlawfully detained or seized, it states, does not remedy the evil, as the chief difficulty is the moral effect on American exporters who are restrained from taking risks or hazards which in no case ought to surround legitimate trade between the United States and other neutral countries.

Feeling has been aroused on the subject to such an extent, the communication adds, that the American government feels compelled to ask for definite information as to Great Britain's attitude in order that it may take such measures as would protect American citizens in their rights.

The United States, it points out, was patient at first, realizing that hostilities had heaped a mass of burdens on the British government, and thinking an early adjustment of the situation would come. Five months have elapsed, it asserts, with no improvement in the situation. In the meantime, American shippers have availed themselves of various suggestions from the British government, such as shipping cargoes to definitely named consignees in neutral countries, and the taking out of certificates from consuls in this country, which followed promises of the British foreign office that the Allied fleets, consequently, would cease detentions of these cargoes. The situation, however, is described as having hardly improved, after these concessions.

WHAT IS NON-CONTRABAND?

British Government Violates International Law and Fleets Go Farther.

Reference is made in the note to the high principles of equity which have actuated Great Britain in her championship in the past of the freedom of seas to neutral commerce and the hope is expressed that even though a belligerent herself, she will realize the seriousness to the neutral of continued interference.

Reserving until some other date the discussion of those articles which Great Britain has taken from the generally accepted list of non-contraband and placed on the list of absolute and conditional contraband, the American government declares that the British fleets have been regarding absolute and conditional contraband as in the same class whereas international law defines absolute contraband as consisting of those articles intended directly for the use of an army or navy, and conditional contraband those articles susceptible of use by armed forces but whose destination must be the determining factor in detentions.

The American note, mentioning here that food stuffs are conditional contraband since they may be destined for the use of a civil population as well as an army, says the United States is in entire agreement with the doctrine expressed by Lord Salisbury, British foreign secretary in his correspondence with the Washington government concerning the shipment of food stuffs to the Transvaal during the Boer war in South Africa. Lord Salisbury wrote then:

"Foodstuffs, with a hostile destination, can be considered contraband of war only if they are supplies for the enemy's forces. It is not sufficient that they are capable of being so used; it must be shown that this was in fact their destination at the time of seizure."

Detention of Ships.

This is perhaps the most far-reaching declaration of the American note since it was accepted by Great Britain American trade with Germany and Austria, virtually at a standstill now, would be resumed, affecting the prices of wheat, flour, live stock and the variety of products which go to make up "food stuffs."

Taking up the subject of detention of American ships at sea the United States says that it cannot tolerate undue delays in examining them or the convoying of such ships to British ports for detailed examination. It argues that proof of hostile destination of the cargo must be in evidence at the time of search at sea. The belligerent right of search, the note adds, is fully recognized, but it cannot be extended

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U. S. CONSULS IN BELGIUM MUST BE ACCEPTABLE TO GERMAN WAR AUTHORITIES

Germany Also Desires That Some of American Consuls in Belgium be Withdrawn for the Present—Communication to State Department Not Made Public—Japan First Took Similar Position—Will Probably Accede to Request.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Germany has notified the American State Department that American consuls in Belgium must be acceptable to the German military authorities, it was learned today. The notification also said it was desirable that some of the American consuls in Belgium be withdrawn for the present, at least.

Secretary Bryan declined to make public the text of the German communication or to comment upon it until he had full opportunity to consider it. The understanding in official circles, however, is that the notice is similar to the one sent Argentina and other neutral countries, and that, while the German government does not insist that consuls in Belgium take out new exequaturs from German officials, it announces that such consuls must exercise their functions only by permission from the military authorities in control of the territory in which the consulate is situated.

The United States has consular representatives only in Brussels, Antwerp, Liege and Ghent, and since the war began they have had little work of the ordinary character to do. Their activities have been devoted largely to looking after refugees and aiding in relief work.

The request for the withdrawal of certain consuls is said to be entirely impersonal, and to be based upon the law of military necessity which recognizes the right of a military officer in command of occupied territory to dictate absolutely the amount and extent of civil business and the manner in which it shall be conducted in that territory.

The disposition of the department apparently is to recognize the right of the authorities of a captured territory to prescribe at least temporarily conditions under which consuls shall discharge their duties, and it is contended this can be done without in any way committing the United States to a political recognition of the right of military occupation of a territory to its possession.

Regarding the withdrawal of consuls from certain points, under color of military necessity, it is said that there need be no actual interruption of commerce in consequence, because under American consular regulations in the absence of a consul two reputable merchants may render an acceptable certificate to an invoice of goods.

Japan Did Likewise.

The Japanese government already has intimated its objection to the presence of foreign consuls in the territory of Kiao Chow recently captured from the Germans. Several applications have come to the State Department from mercantile interests urging the return of American Consul Peck to Tsing Tau but in the face of Japanese opposition and in the knowledge of the fact that the order of exclusion runs against consuls of all nations alike, the State Department has not felt called upon to force an issue by ordering the return of Mr. Peck to his post.

The Belgian minister called at the State Department today after the German notice had been received. Later he issued this statement:

Belgian Minister's Statement.

"The Belgian minister has been informed that the German government has notified the neutral powers of its intention to cancel the exequaturs accorded by the Belgian government to foreign consular representatives.

"The Belgian government has protested against this step. The issue as well as the cancellation of an exequatur are acts which imply the sovereignty of the state from which they emanate. Now a power in military occupation of a territory only enjoys a de facto possession which cannot be transformed, insofar as its relations with neutral states are concerned, into a state of sovereignty. Such a change could only become lawful, by the consummation of a treaty of peace determining definitely the status of the occupied territory."

SOUTH CAROLINA MOB WOULD ENTER GEORGIA

Mayor of Hartwell Asks for State Militia.

But Governor Slaton Defers Action—Negro Oconee Crowd Intended to Cross Line to Lynch if Dead in Georgia.

Hartwell, Ga., Dec. 28. — Governor Slaton tonight was asked by Mayor Thornton to send state militia here to protect negro prisoners in the county jail from possible mob violence. Reports received here indicated that a mob was forming across the state boundary in Oconee county, South Carolina, to lynch a negro who was placed in jail here after a recent stabbing affray with a white man in Oconee county.

The negro was badly wounded in the fight and died tonight, but this was not known by the public.

Local authorities feared that if a mob visited the jail and found the negro dead, vengeance would be taken on other negro prisoners. Race feeling has been intense recently in Oconee county as a result of crimes said to have been committed by negroes.

Three negroes were shot and killed a few days ago in a clash with whites near Fair Play, and today the body of Ernest Gray, another negro, was found near here. A coroner's jury returned a verdict that he had been killed with an axe. The killings are being investigated.

Slaton Defers Action.

Atlanta, Ga., December 28. — Governor Slaton tonight deferred sending troops to Hartwell to protect negro prisoners in jail there, pending further advices from the Hart county authorities. His latest information, he said, was that the local authorities probably would be able to control the situation.

New York, Dec. 28.—Rev. Rickard K. Wakeham, widely known as an educator in Catholic colleges, died today at Cold Spring, N. Y., aged 68 years. For 31 years he had been engaged in the education of priests having taught at seminaries in Boston, and Baltimore as well as in this state. He will be buried at Columbia, Va., where he was born.

ALL TREAT PRISONERS OF WAR ABOUT ALIKE

And All Do About as Well as Circumstances Permit

Report Made by Special Attache of American Embassy in London, After Visit to Prisons of Belligerent Nations.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Chandler Anderson, who, as a special attache of the American embassy in London, investigated military prison camps in practically all the European belligerent countries, declared today there was no substantial difference in the treatment of war prisoners and that probably in every case they were cared for as well as their captors could afford, considering their own military necessities. Mr. Anderson made personal investigations in England, Belgium and Germany and Austria and also had knowledge from reliable sources as to conditions in France and Russia.

Mr. Anderson, who has just returned to Washington, praised the work being done by Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to London, and said that, through excellent relations he had established with the foreign office, he had been able to accomplish many things beyond the reach of another official.

The Germans at the date of Mr. Anderson's departure from Europe had about 450,000 prisoners of war. About 200,000 were Russians, an equal number of French, and about 17,000 British. The remainder were Belgians. The prisoners were given the regular army ration and their principal lack was clothing suitable for the season and opportunities for bathing.

The military prisoners, particularly, were found in worst circumstances, but the German government would not allow them to wear civilian clothes, lest it facilitate their escape, and the British government had not found the opportunity to forward clothing to the prisoners.

In England the German and Austrian prisoners have been confined to the race course, but more recently have been transferred to idle ocean liners at British ports. The quarters on the vessels are good, with every facility for keeping the prisoners warm and properly fed.

SITUATION IS FULL OF UNCERTAINTIES

Zapata's Desire for Blood is Bone of Contention.

WORD FROM MEXICO

Friction Between Gutierrez-Villa and Zapata Factions Over Latter's Desire to Execute Former Federal Officers

Washington, Dec. 28.—Dispatches from the Brazilian minister in Mexico City, dated there early today and received here tonigt, discribed the political situation as full of uncertainties. The minister referred to the lack of harmony between the several chiefs, but indicated that nothing alarming had developed and that good order was being preserved.

From its own agents also the State Department was advised that friction existed between the Zapata and Gutierrez-Villa factions, chiefly over Zapata's desire to execute many former federal army officers. At present a decree issued by General Gutierrez suspending all executions pending a fair trial is in effect. The Gutierrez-Villa element holds the officers should be given a trial and be represented by counsel but the Zapatistas are understood to desire their summary extermination.

The United States government is endeavoring to obtain a general amnesty and while no promises have been made that recognition will follow, the Mexican factions understand that unless a humanitarian course toward their opponents is pursued, recognition will be withheld. The United States has indicated clearly that it will look with disfavor on continued executions and its remonstrance is believed to have been largely responsible for the Gutierrez decree.

The following summary of dispatches from Mexico was issued by the State Department:

"Latest information received indicates that quiet prevails along the entire west coast of Mexico.

"A mail dispatch from Vera Cruz under date of December 13th reports that roving bands have been pillaging in various parts of the State of Vera Cruz.

"A mail dispatch from Guadalajara dated December 15th states that the Carranistas authorities have made Ciudad Guzman the capital of the Jalisco. Another dispatch, under date of December 17th reports that the city of Guadalajara is intact and in the hands of Villa forces.

"The department has been informed officially that Maytorena has withdrawn his forces from the trenches heretofore occupied (a Naco) burning his shelters. He is reported to have gone eight kilometers south.

"Consul Simpich reports from Nogales, Ariz., that telegraph communication with Hermosillo and Cananea is interrupted. He also reports heavy losses in the state of Sonora to railways and other property by floods.

"Consul Canada at Vera Cruz telegraphs under date of December 26th that Carranza's foreign claims to have no knowledge of the reported arrest at Vera Cruz of Doctor Villareal of the Mexican Red Cross. The consul adds that Dr. Villareal's present whereabouts are unknown."

Preparing to Evacuate Naco.

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 28.—Preparations for the evacuation of Naco, Sonora, was begun today by General Benjamin Hill, who plans to take his Carranza force to Agua Prieta, opposite Douglas, Ariz. This is in accordance with the border peace plan proposed by Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott.

The final word is to come from Governor Maytorena. Hill expects to consolidate with the rest of his troops at Agua Prieta, but Maytorena has thrown outposts all along the border east of here to prevent Hill's movement until the peace plans are fully accepted.

Maytorena's main body of villa troops is encamped at Villa Verde, 16 miles southwest of here.

NATIONAL PROHIBITION DANGEROUS, SAYS TAFT

Would Revolutionize the National Government, He Says.

Boston, Dec. 28.—"National prohibition is a dangerous proposition," said former President William H. Taft, speaking before the Boston Bar Association's triennial banquet tonight.

"It would revolutionize the National government," he said. "It would put on the shoulders of the government the duty of sweeping the doorsteps of every home in the land. If national prohibition legislation is passed, local government could be destroyed; and if you destroy local government you destroy one of the things which go to make for a healthy condition of the National government.

"National prohibition is non-enforceable; it is a confession on the part of the state governments of inability to control and regulate their own especial business and duty, if the matter were placed under Federal control, it would result in creation of a machinery of government officials large enough to nominate any President, and would offer too great an opportunity to persons seeking to perpetuate their power in Washington."

St. Louis, December 28. — One bandit was killed and another wounded here today by Leonard C. Humphrey, a 76-year-old veteran of the war between the states. The pair aroused Humphrey's suspicions by loitering in his store, and he took up his revolver. The men attacked him, one with a hatchet. Humphrey fired and both men ran from the store. A few feet away one fell dead. The other was found in a physician's office.

FIERCEST FIGHTING IN A MONTH IN BELGIUM TOOK PLACE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Indicated by Reports of Numbers of Wounded Both Armies Are Sending Back—Belgians Captured Nearly 3,000 Germans, With Only Slight Losses in Five Days. French Enthusiastic Over Raid on Germans

FEW CHANGES IN BATTLE LINES IN EAST OR WEST HAVE BEEN MADE THIS WEEK

French and German Reports Agree That Latter Have Captured a Section of Trenches South of Ypres—French Assert That Germans Also Gave Up Some Trenches—Germans Fail to Reach Warsaw.

London, December 28. — The battle lines in the East and West have undergone few changes in the past day. French and German reports agree that the Germans have captured a section of trenches near Hollebeke, south of Ypres. The French assert that the Germans gave up trenches on the first line to the extent of about 800 or 900 yards, yesterday, in the Lens region, farther east, while unsuccessful demonstrations have been made from both sides at various points along the extended lines.

The reports of the numbers of wounded both armies are sending back from the lines in Belgium appear to show that the fighting on Christmas in that country was the fiercest of the past month. Correspondents in the rear say the Belgians, as a result of five days' sapping, captured nearly 3,000 Germans with only small losses to themselves.

According to Russian reports, German attempts to capture Warsaw have failed, while the Berlin official statement says there is general confidence that the German and Austro-Hungarian forces are making progress along the great front.

French newspapers are enthusiastic over the raid by British cruisers and sea planes on Cuxhaven. They consider improbable the German statement that, although ships at Cuxhaven and the gas works were hit by bombs, no damage was done.

The naval writers speculate on the most remarkable engagement of twentieth century warfare. They conclude that the German ships feared to give battle to the British cruisers because of the uncertainty as to whether the British battleships were lurking behind them. The fact that the Zeppelins were driven off is taken by some as evidence that the Zeppelins really are untrustworthy craft. Others think it means that the Germans are husbanding all their dirigibles for a grand raid on England.

Some writers argue that if Cuxhaven can thus be attacked, why not Helgoland, Wilhelmshaven and even the Kiel canal?

The only damage the British expedition sustained was the loss of several hydroplanes, while Commander Hewlett was the only person who lost his life.

The British people are losing whatever fear of the Zeppelins they held, perhaps prematurely, but the exploits of the airmen on the continent and the scouting trip of the German flyer over Kent on Christmas show there is a strong possibility that the taubes may repeat over London the visit with bombs which they paid over Paris and Warsaw.

The authorities issued a warning tonight of the danger to people in the streets from guns which may be used in London against hostile air craft, and advised the people to take refuge in basements if they heard the sound of explosives or guns.

A heavy wind storm, with rain and snow, swept over parts of England and adjacent waters tonight, and there probably is suffering for the sailors on duty on the smaller craft off the coasts.

ALLIES ATTACK NIEUPODT

By Land and Sea, But With No Serious Result, Says German Report

Berlin, Dec, 28—(By wireless to London)—The German official statement given out today reports that the Allies yesterday made an attack by land and sea on the town of Nieuport at the extreme right of the German line in Belgium, but that no serious damage resulted.

The Germans also announce the capture of several trenches and of a number of prisoners to the south of Ypres, and the repulse of French attacks in the regions of Arras, Verdun and Senhein.

The text of the communication reads:

"In the western theatre the enemy unsuccessfully renewed his attacks on Nieuport supported by warships which did no damage to us, but killed or wounded a few inhabitants of Westende. An attack on the hamlet of St. George also failed.

South of Ypres we captured one of the enemy's trenches and some dozens of prisoners fell into our hands on this occasion.

"Several violent attacks by the enemy in the region to the Northwest of Arras were repelled.

"To the southeast of Vonduen the enemy repeated his attacks but they also were without success. A similar result occurred when he attempted to re-captured a height to the west of Senhein for which we fought yesterday.

"There is no news from East Prussia or from Poland. North of the Vistula and on the left bank of the Vistula our attacks are developing notwithstanding the very unfavorable weather."

PRESS "DOPE" FROM BERLIN

Feeling of Greater Confidence Indicated By Discussion Around Christmas

Berlin, Dec, 28.—(Wirless to Sayville) Items given out today by the official press bureau include:

"Discussions of military happenings around Christmas indicate that the feeling of confidence has gained support here. General Joffre's energetic offensive, it is pointed out, everywhere has been successfully resisted and the defeat of the English at Festhuburt leaves the Allies in worse shape than when the French offensive started.

"Chief interest continues centered in Poland, where the position of the Germans and Austrians is regarded as promising. There is a feeling here that important developments are probable in Poland within a few days. While the outlook in the Bzura and Rawka section is satisfactory, it is believed the most promising point is in southeast of Tomaszow.

"A Turkish official bulletin reports victorious progress on the Caucasian front without specifying peraties in detail.

"Turkey also officially declares that last week there was no bombardment of the Dardanelles.

"A Warsaw dispatch says Polish revolutionists have blown up there a monument erected in 1841 to the memory of Poles loyal to Russia."

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS BATTLE

Lasted From Thursday to Saturday in the Vosges Mountains

Basel, Switzerland, Dec. 28, via Paris —A battle lasting from December 24 until December 26th, occurred along the whole front of the French and

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FRANK WILL NOT BE EXECUTED IN JANUARY

Justice Lamar Grants Appeal From Federal District Court's Refusal to Issue Writ of Habeas Corpus—U. S. Supreme Court Will Pass on Prisoner's Right to Release on Ground of Absence When Verdict Was Rendered in the Case.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Justice Lamar, of the United States Supreme Court, today granted an appeal from the refusal of the Federal district court for Northern Georgia to release on habeas corpus proceedings Leo M. Frank, under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan, at Atlanta.

Frank has been sentenced to be hanged January 22, but Justice Lamar's action causes a stay of execution. Thirty days are given for the record of the proceedings in the lower court to be filed in the Supreme Court here. The State of Georgia then may ask that the hearing of the case be advanced. Some suggestions generally are granted.

As a result of Justice Lamar's action today the entire court will pass upon Frank's right to seek release from custody on a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that the trial court in Fulton county, Georgia, lost jurisdictin over him by its failure to have him present when the jury returned its verdict.

Should the Supreme Court decide Frank was not entitled to the benefit of the habeas corpus writ, the State of Georgia would no longer be barred from carrying out the death sentence. If the court decides he was entitled to ask for the writ, the case probably would be remanded to the district court for the taking of evidence on the petition praying for the writ.

Should the Supreme Court eventually decide that Frank must be released from custody, it was said, a further question, about which there is uncertainty, would arise as to the power of the state to indict and try him a second time. It is said authorities differ as to whether the first trial would be regarded as having placed Frank in "jeopardy."

Second Time in Lamar's Hands.

This was the second time Frank's fate has rested in Justice Lamar's hands. After the Georgia court had declined to set aside the verdict of conviction, Justice Lamar was asked to issue a writ of error for the Supreme Court to review the case. He declined on the ground that no Federal question was presented, inasmuch as questions of procedure were for the states to decide. Justice Holmes, and eventually the entire court, pursued the same course.

Application was then made in the Georgia Federal court for Frank's release on a writ of habeas corpus. Judge Newman held Frank was not entitled to the writ and refused to grant an appeal to the Supreme Court because he was unwilling to issue a certificate of "probable cause" as required in such appeals by a Federal statute of 1908.

Justice Lamar then was asked to grant the appeal and issue the certificate. He found that several questions of Federal law, unsettled by the Supreme Court, existed in the case and hence gave rise to "probable cause" for the appeal. These were whether the Federal Constitution requires an accused person to be present when a verdict is returned against him in a state court and the effect of the accused not raising the point of his absence on a motion for a new trial, and the effect of the Supreme Court's own action in refusing to grant the writ of error in a case where an alleged jurisdictional question was presented in a motion filed at a time not authorized by the practice of the state where the trial took place.

Justice Lamar's complete statement in explanation of his course in granting the appeal follows:

Lamar's Complete Statement.

"Leo Frank's recent application for a writ of error was denied by me on the ground that no Federal question was involved in the ruling of the Supreme Court of Georgia that his motion to set aside the verdict finding him guilty of murder had been filed too late. This petition presents a wholly different question since it is an application for the allowance of an appeal from the judgment of a Federal Court on a record which presents a purely Federal question, irrespective of regulations governing state practice.

"Frank's petition for the writ of habeas corpus addressed to the judge of the United States district court for the Northern district of Georgia alleges that on his trial for murder in the Superior court of Fulton county, Georgia, public feeling against him was so great that the presiding judge advised his counsel not to have him present in the court room when the verdict was returned, and that his involuntary absence, under such circumstances, when the verdict was returned, deprived him of a hearing to which he was entitled under the Constitution and rendered his conviction void. He avers that his motion for a new trial was overruled and he then moved to set aside the verdict as being void for want of jurisdiction; that in passing on that motion the State Supreme Court held that while he had the Constitutional right to be present when the verdict against him was returned into court, yet such verdict could not be attacked, by a motion to set aside after the expiration of the trial term and after his motion for a new trial had been finally refused.

"He alleges that his attempt to have that judgment reviewed in the Supreme Court of the United States failed because, though a Federal question was raised in the record, the decision of the Supreme Court of Georgia was based on a matter of state practice.

"He therefore filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus in which he claims that the right to be present at the rendition of the verdict was jurisdictional and that on habeas corpus he is entitled to a hearing on the question as to whether he had waived or could waive his constitutional right to be present when the verdict of guilty was returned into court.

"The district judge heard no evidence as to the truth of the allegations, but refused the writ on the ground that the facts therein stated did not entitle Frank to the benefit of that remedy. He declined to give the certificate of probable cause and this application for that certificate and for the allowance of an appeal was then made to me as the justice assigned to the Fifth circuit.

"Under the act of 1908 the application for the certificate is not to be determined by any views which may be held as to the effect of the final judgment of the State Supreme Court refusing a new trial but by considering whether the nature of the constitutional right existed and the absence of any decision expressly foreclosing the right to an appeal, leaves the matter so far unsettled as to constitute probable cause justifying the allowance of the appeal.

"The court of the United States has never determined whether on a trial for murder in a state court the due process clause of the Federal Constitution guarantees the defendant a right to be present when the verdict is rendered.

"Neither has it decided the effect of a final judgment refusing a new trial in a case where the defendant did not make the fact of his absence when the verdict was returned a ground of the motion, nor claim that the rendition of the verdict in his absence was the denial of a right guaranteed by the Federal Constitution.

"Nor has it passed upon the effect of its own refusal to grant a writ of error in a case where an alleged jurisdictional question was presented in a motion filed at a time not authorized by the practice of the state where the trial took place. Such questions are all involved in the present case and, since they have never been settled by any authoritative ruling by the full court, it cannot be said that there is such a want of probable cause as to warrant the refusal of an appeal. That being true the act of Congress requires that the certificate should be given and the appeal allowed."

WILL EXPEDITE CASE

Dorsey Says He Hopes to Have Case Heard Within 60 Days

Atlanta, Ga., Dec, 28—Solicitor General Dorsey, who conducted the prosecution of Leo M. Frank, when informed that Justice Lamar had granted Frank's appeal on the habeas corpus proceeding, stated that the State would expedite the case as much as possible. He said he hoped to have the case heard in the United States Supreme Court within sixty days or sooner if it could be arranged.

"It's a long lane that has no turning", said Frank in his cell.

NOMINATIONS OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONERS.

To be Sent to the Senate This Week. List Narrowed to Few Men.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson expects to send to the Senate this week nominations of the five Federal trade commissioners, and it was said at the White House today that, while he had not finally chosen the commission, he had narrowed his list of eligibles down from 300 to a few men.

Among those the President was understood to be considering were Joseph E. Davies, commissioner of corporations; Former Attorney General Thomas S. Fielder, of Georgia; former Govern or Ansel, of South Carolina; Albert D. Norton, a St. Louis lawyer, and former Progressive candidate for governor of Missouri; Henry J. Waters, president of the Kansas State agricultural college; George F. Peabody, a New York banker and business man; Edward N. Hurley, of Chicago, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association and an expert on foreign trade, particularly in South America; Governor West, of Oregon; Governor Hodges, of Kansas; Joseph N. Teal, of Portland, Ore., and George Rublee, of New Hampshire.

TWO KILLED; SIX INJURED.

Caught Under Wooden Canopy Over Street Which Collapses.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 28.—Nine men were caught here today in the collapse of a wooden canopy built to protect pedestrians passing a million dollar hotel building under construction. Two were killed and six seriously injured.

Walter S. Dickinson, an actor of Lincoln, Neb., died in a hospital. His skull was fractured. The other dead was a negro.

James McBean, business agent for a labor union, was in a critical condition tonight. The others injured were workmen employed on the building.

The canopy fell when a truck backed into a support weighted with mortar and building material.

URGE UNIFORM WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW

Action Taken in Labor Meeting at Philadelphia Yesterday

Philadelphia, Dec, 28.—A uniform workemen's compensation law providing of payment of from 50 to 90 per cent. of wages in case of occupational accident or disease, to be administered by state commissions, was urged today at the opening session of the joint convention of the American Association for Labor Legislation and the National Conference on Unecmployment.

John Mitchell, formerly president of the United Mine Workers of America, pointed out New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia and New York as states that have adequate compensation laws.

MAYOR ROBERTS RELEASED

His Wife Arranges Bond of $10,000 With Surety Company

Indionapolis, Dec, 28—Don M. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute, who was jailed here Saturday with 21 others on charges of conspiracy to corrupt the November elections, was freed today after his wife had arranged with a surety company to sign a $10,000 bond. Roberts left for his home at Terre Haute.

Harry Montgomary, President of the Terre Haute board of works came here today and surrendered. He is the 94th man arrested.

Montgomary, accompanied by a United States officer, returned to Terre Haute to try to obtain bond.

TRUSTEES' SALE

Of the G. H. Haar stock of Dry Goods, notions and fixtures continues until sold. Prices Guaranteed Below Whole-sale Cost. —Advertisement 4t

BOSTON NATIONAL GROUNDS LARGEST IN COUNTRY

Will Seat More Than Forty Thousand—Most Costly Yet.

Boston, Mass. Dec, 28—The new Boston National grounds in Allston will be the largest in the country in size and seating capacity and will cost more than any baseball plant yet constructed, President James E. Gaffney said today in a discussion of the plans by the board of directors.

Forty thousand, two hundred and eighty-two seats will be provided, Gaffney said, and the one story grandstand will be to constructed that a second deck may be added later.

Center field limits will be 400 feet from the home plate and 460 feet from the grand stand. There will be virtually no "sun field". The grounds will be laid out to face the Northeast so that the sun glare will not be strong in any of the outfield positions.

The playing field is to be sunk 15 feet below street level after the fashion of the Yale "bowl".

Gaffney announced that the Walpole street grounds, the home of the National League Club for nearly half a century have been sold to a trust company.

No action was taken on selecting players to be given to the Philadelphia Nationals for Sherwood Magee. Gaffney said he would discuss this with Manager Stallings at the later's plantation in Georgia next Sunday.

HEGARTY TO BE RETAINED A. & M. FOOTBALL COACH.

His Election Ratified Last Week by Athletic Council.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 28.—Dr. John E. Hegarty, former Georgetown University captain, will be retained as head football coach at A. & M. for the 1915 season, his election having been ratified by the Athletic Council the past week. Dr. Hegarty was assistant coach under Coach Eddie Greene in 1913, succeeding Coach Greene the past year. "Jack" Martin, trainer of the Washington American League baseball team, was also retained for the 1915 season by the Athletic Council, his work with the Tech footballers the past season having been of the highest order.

JOHNSON-WILLARD DATE NOT YET BEEN NAMED

Nor The Place, But Probably Be Pulled Off at Juarez

El Pasco, Texas, Dec, 28—Jack Curley promoter of the Jack Johnson-Jess Willard heavy weight boxing contest, today said the date and place for the bout ha dnot been selected. He denied a report that the fight had been set for Juarez, Mexico, March 17th although he said the Mexican border town might be selected. He thought the date probably would be March 6th or 8th.

WAR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS THINK TROUBLE IS PASSED

Decline to Call Disturbance in Philippines an "Uprising"

Washington, Dec, 28.—With no additional advices from the Philippines, War Department officials tonight expressed the opinion that the recent disturbance there, which they declined to call an uprising, was a closed incident, fully explained in the report cabled yesterday by Governor General Harrison.

One official said the report did not disclose more serious disorders than might be found in any city the size of Manila in this country.

Emphasis also was laid on the fact that propaganda leading to the trouble was fathered by the exiled Ricarte and equally irresponsible leaders in the island.

Pittsburg, Dec, 28—Executors f the estate of the late George Westinghouse announced today they had contracted to sell their stock in the Westinghouse Machine Company to the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company, on the basis of three shares of machine stock for one share of electric stock. Mr. Westinghouse controlled the machine company, a $10,000,000 corporation. Other stockholders will be allowed to share in the sale agreement if they exercise the right before January 26th next.

Trenton, Tenn., Dec, 28—James A. Alford, wealthy business man of Rutherford, Tenn., today was acquited of the murder of Harry Coulter, a lawyer, in September, 1913. The case had been in the hands of the jury since Saturday evening. Alford claimed he shot Coulter, in defense of his home.

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WANT NO ASSISTANCE OF ITALIAN CRUISER

In Protecting Refugees on the Syrian Coast.

Washington Officials Keenly Interested in Reported Proffer of Co-Operation With American Cruiser North Carolina.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Officials here, although without official advices, were keenly interested tonight in a Rome dispatch saying the Italian cruiser Calabria at Beirut, Syria, had been instructed to help the American cruiser North Carolina protect refugees on the Syrian coast. Secretary Daniels cabled the dispatch to Captain Oman, of the North Carolina, at Beirut, and to Captain Decker, of the cruiser Tennessee, which left Jaffa yesterday, taking refugees to Alexandria.

Mr. Daniels also repeated his request for information from the cruiser commanders concerning a recent Athens dispatch announcing that the North Carolina had threatened to fire on the port of Tripoli, Syria, when the Turkish authorities sought to prevent the departure of British and French consuls along with their nationals on an American steamer. Repetition of this request was ordered because it was feared the first messages had failed to reach the cruisers.

A report from Captain Decker, of the Tennessee, earlier in the day, told of the departure of 500 refugees on his vessel from Jaffa, but did not mention other incidents involving American ships on the Syrian coast.

Government officials, who are skeptical about reports that the North Carolina threatened to fire on Tripoli, expressed the opinion tonight that the United States, as a neutral nation, could best maintain its friendly relations with Turkey if it dealt with the situation there without assistance. It was suggested, therefore, that the Italian proffer of co-operation might be rejected if made officially to the United States.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying approximately $34,000,000 existing projects was considered informally today by a Senate commerce sub-committee. Senator Burton, whose filibuster last season caused a blanket appropriation of $20,000,000 to be substituted for the House bill, opposes many items in this year's measure.

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MAY BE NO QUORUM IN EITHER HOUSE TODAY

Immigration Bill the Order of Business in Senate.

Lack of Quorum May Result in its Postponement—Suffrage Resolution May Wait Return of Congressmen Interested

Washington, Dec, 28—While many members of Congress returned to Washington today from the short Christmas holiday prepared for the resumption of business tomorrow, administration leaders feared a quorum might not be present in either house.

In the Senate, the immigration bill will be the order of business. Should a point of no quorum be made an adjournment probably will be forced. In the House the postoffice appropriation bill is the unfinished business, No agreement has been reached to proceed in the absence of a quorum.

Opponents of the immigration bill with its proposed literacy test hope to replace further consideration of the measure, temporarily at least, by appropriation bills. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the immigration committee, said today, however, that the bill had enough friends in the Senate to prevent its being replaced and to bring it to a vote notwithstanding that President Wilson has made known his opposition to the literacy test.

House leaders said today the forthcoming fight on the resolution to submit a constitutional amendment for equal suffrage probably would not be brought up until all members particularly interested in the issue had returned. It may be the middle of January before the issue is launched for general debate and decision.

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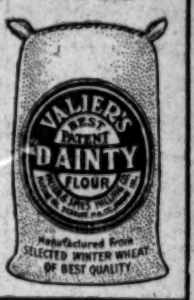

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All Violations of Same Law Should Go in Same Bill

Attorney General Bickett Files Biennial Report With Governor—Says Supreme Court Is Over-Worked By Many Appeals

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 28—Attorney General T. W. Bickett filed with Governor Craig today his biennial report which shows 23,509 criminal cases prosecuted in the courts of the State the past two years, increase of 3,654 over the report two years ago and of 855 over the report four years ago. Of the cases reported 19,165 were actually tried, with the result of 16,458 convictions and 2,707 acquitals. There were 522 homicides compared with 367 in the report two years ago and 329 four years ago. There were 134 criminal cases appealed to the Supreme court compared with 115 appeals two years ago and 82 in the report four years ago.

Attorney General Bickett deals comprehensively with the most important cases for the State in which he appeared and the outcome of the litigation in each. Especially notable were the Cleveland and Smith habeas corpus cases from Mecklenburg county in which Alabama demanded the prisoners as improperly extradited; the interstate freight rate fight, the intrastate freight litigation; the North Carolina-Tennessee boundry dispute and others.

He treats especially his recent recommendation that the Federal Government institute suit to annul the receivership and dismemberment of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad, Wilmington to Mount Airy, and the present status of the case as pending with the Attorney General of the United States.

In recommendations, the Attorney General stresses the needless multiplicity of indictments in the courts of the State, insisting that below the crime of felony the solicitor should be allowed to charge any number of violations of the same law in a single bill. He says the present practice of trying a man on a half dozen different offenses growing out of the same transaction does violence to economy, to the science of modern pleading and to the discovery of the truth which is the supreme object in a trial in court. He insists that solicitors can be placed on a salary basis without costing the State an extra dollar.

The Attorney General insists that the Supreme court is over worked: To lessen the flow of appeals to the Supreme court he recommends that civil cases involving less than $500 be not appealed except through writ of error for complaining party shown to the satisfaction of a justice of the court. He thinks this would relieve the Supreme court of one third of the appeals that now swell the docket.

Mr. Bickett urges that provision be made for the attorney general of the State to devote his entire time to the duties of the office through increase of his salary from $3,000 to a sum that he can live on comfortably and then exact his entire time so that this official would not carry on any outside practice in the courts as has been necessary in the past.

STOCK LAW IN PENDER TO THE FRONT AGAIN.

Effort Will be Made to Have Law Repealed by Legislature—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Burgaw, N. C., Dec. 28.—With the approach of the Legislature, the stock law question in Pender county will be to the front again, as the member from this county, Mr. Scott, will feel bound to do all in his power to have the law repealed or modified in some way. As there are a good many stock law men in the county, it is not to be supposed that they will quietly submit to the repeal without a fight. If it were a question simply of stock law or no stock law, it would not matter so much, but when the repeal of the law involves the enormous expense of fencing the county, it is another question altogether, and one that calls for serious consideration.

Several families of Poles have recently located at St. Helena, and it is reported that several more are expected early in January. As these people are supposed to be farmers, they will have a fine opportunity there to show what they can do. They will have the soil and climate, and all they need is intelligence and labor to make a success.

Notwithstanding the cry of hard times, the merchants here all appeared to have a fine Christmas trade, and the gifts appeared to be more numerous than usual. Especially was this the case with regard to the worthy poor, many of whose hearts were made glad by the gifts to them of things substantial.

To show that the farmers of this section must be holding their cotton, the official cotton weigher here has not weighed a bale of cotton this season.

Christmas passed off very quietly here. All the business houses closed for the day, and the most of them closing for the balance of the week, even the bank being closed for two days. On account of the rain there was little hunting.

The annual reunion of the family of Mr. A. H. Paddison at Christmas took place this year as usual, but three members of the family being absent. The honor guests of the day were the venerable Mrs. E. A. Murphy and her daughter, Miss Maggie Murphy. Mrs. Murphy, who is now in her 91st year, is the only living aunt of Mrs. Paddison. Notwithstanding her great age, her mind is as clear as ever and her physical health good. She is the mother of ten children, seven of whom are living. She has a number of grand children and great grandchildren.

ALLEGED CHECK FLASHER RIDES WITH POLICE OFFICER

And the Latter Didn't Know Former Was Wanted in Wilson.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 28.—Two merchants, W. J. Burden and J. S. Moore, are sufferers from a bogus check worker. John Wilson, who has lived here for two years, and for the larger part of the time employed at the Wilson box factory, passed a check on Mr. Burden for $32. The check was signed "W. H. Brown", and was drawn on the First National Bank. Another check, evidently taken from the same check book, and with a consecutive number, was passed on J. S. Moore, drawn for $2 and signed "W. H. Brown". The bank has no such customer and there is no party of the name here.

A peculiar feature of the affair is that Wilson rode to Fayetteville Friday night, in the same seat with a Wilson police office, but the officer did not know that Wilson was wanted for check flashington at the time. Wilson stated that he was going to Jacksonville, Fla., and telegrams have been sent there with his description.

ARRESTED WRONG NEGRO.

Willingham at Large Still Through Fayetteville Police's Blunder.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 28.—Local police officers have not yet apprehended the negro Willingham wanted for shooting to death another negro on the street last Thursday night. Willingham went to Fayetteville and the officers of that town were telegraphed to take him from the train. When Fayetteville was reached, Willingham was in hiding between two seats in the coach and the officers arrested another man, the arrested man protested his innocence and pointed out Willingham, asserting him to be the wanted party, but the appearance of the man arrested and his denial of the crime convinced the Fayetteville officer that he was guilty. When the Wilson police went to Fayetteville the negro was released. Willingham is still at large.

MRS. S. J. KIRKPATRICK IS FATALLY BURNED.

Sister of Bishop E. E. Hoss Dies at Jonesboro, Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 28.—A Johnson City, Tenn., special says that Mrs. S. J. Kirkpatrick, widow of Judge S. J. Kirkpatrick, a sister of Bishop E. E. Hoss, of the Southern Methodist church, was fatally burned last night at Jonesboro, Tenn., and died early today. Her clothing caught fire while she stood before a grate.

WILL URGE ENACTMENT OF SHIP-PURCHASE BILL

Commerce Committee Out-Outline Reasons.

Will Submit Report Within Few Days—Hope to Give Impetus to Administration Movement for Early Passage

Washington, Dec 28—To give impetus to the administration movement for early passage of the government ship purchase bill, the Senate commerce committee, which reported the bill favorably before the Christmas recess, will submit within a few days a report on the measure outlining reasons for its enactment.

Senator Fletcher acting chairman of the committee, said today every effort would be made to bring the subject before the Senate for general discussion within the next few weeks. The bill contemplates the creation of a shipping board through which the United States would subscribe to the capital stock of a corporation to be created for the operation of ships purchased or leased for commerce between this country and foreign nations.

In the forthcoming report, which Senator Fletcher said probably would be ready tomorrow or Wednesday, it will be urged that transportion conditions resultant from the European war made it necessary for the United States to engage in ocean transportation for the benefit of its commerce and that economies in ocean shipment of American goods shouuld be instituted which within a comparatively short time would more than pay for the contemplated investment.

Information is expected by the committee tomorrow from Secretary of Commerce Redfield and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo on the actual condition of ocean transportation since the European war began, together with statistics on ships of belligerent nations which have not atempted to traverse their regular routes since the outbreak of hostilities.

SUDDEN DEATH IN WILSON.

Mrs. Jesse B. Williams Taken Away Without Moment's Warning.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 28.—Again Wilson has been shocked with a sudden death —Mrs. Jesse B. Williams died without a moment's warning Sunday night. Mrs. Williams was a daughter of the late A. P. Branch, founder of the Branch Banking & Trust Company, and a woman of many intimate friends and a large circle of relatives. For several days Mrs. Williams had been confined to her room but no serious results were anticipated. The immediate cause of death was heart failure. She leaves two daughters, Miss Reda Gay, a student at St. Mary's, Raleigh, and Miss Virginia, the younger, and a husband, Mr. Jesse B. Williams, a traveling representative of a wholesale house. Arrangements for the funeral services have been made and will occur at the St. Timothy's Episcopal church Tuesday.

TO ORGANIZE COTTON EXCHANGE CLEARING HOUSE.

Final Decision on Plan Deferred at Meeting Yesterday.

New York, Dec. 28.—Final decision on the plan to organize a cotton exchange clearing house in this city was deferred at a meeting today of members of the New York Cotton Exchange, although most of the members present favored the proposal.

Action will not be taken until all members are given an opportunity to express their views on the question.

Washington, Dec. 28.—James W. Carmalt today was appointed chief examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission to succeed Ross D. Ryndor, resigned. Mr. Carmalt has been connected with the commission for several years and recently was the confidential examiner attached to the staff of Chairman Harlan.

GOVERNMENT GOING INTO THE NEWSPAPER BUSINESS

"Daily Commercial Report" to Promote Foreign Trade of Country

Washington, Dec, 28—To promote the foreign commerce of the United States, the government will go into the newspaper business January 2nd, when the grst number of The Daily Commercial Report will be issued by the Department of Commerce. In it will be carried all important commercial cablegrams recived from the attaches at the various embasses abroad and from consular offices throughout the world.

It also will contain brief abstracts of the findings of investigators of the department in many lines of American enterprise and will present to the business world eacvh day the gist of the business of the Department of Commerce for the preceeding day.

The plan for a commerciti daily was worked out by Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. The new publication will take the place of the Daily Consular reports now issued.

E. A. Brand, assistant chief of the bureau, who returned today from an extended tour of inspection of the eight new branch offices of the bureau, reported that the branches were meeting with a cordial reception from business houses and were forking to full capacoty in co-operation with merchants and manufacturers.

HONDURAS CONSUL GENERAL ARRESTED ON ARSON CHARGE.

'Frisco Police Find His Burning House Sprinkled With Oil.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Fernando Somoza Vivas, consul general here of Honduras, was arrested today on a charge of arson. He had been under police surveillance since last night when firemen are said to have found that his burning house had been liberally sprinkled with oil and turpentine.

Beureau drawers in the bed room were found filled with paper saturated in oil; carpets had been sprinkled with inflammables, holes had been cut through the ceilings of closets for flues and streamers tied from the rafters to guide the flames, it is alleged. Vivas was found partially clad on the sidewalk shortly after the firemen arrived. At police headquarters he asserted his consular position as the representative of a foreign nation made him immune from prosecution.

SCHOONER AND STEAMER COLLIDE

Accident Off Cape Cod Without Serious Results

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 28.—The five masted schooner Dorothy Palmer and the United Fruit Company's steamer Limon, collided near Peaked Hill bars, off the end of Cape Cod, early today, but without serious damage to either vessel or injury to those on board. The Limon's bow was stove in above the water line and the Palmer lost her headgear.

The Limon was coming into the bay with passengers and cargo from Caribbean ports and the Palmer was bound south in ballast. The Limon took the schooner in tow for Boston.

WALTER SMITH IN JAIL.

Charged With Stabbing J. M. McGee, Merchant of Mt. Olive.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Mt. Olive, N. C., Dec. 28.—Walter Smith, the man who is alleged to have stabbed Jas. M. McGee, prominent merchant here, in the abdomen Thursday of last week, has since been committed to jail, pending further developments in Mr. McGee's case. According to the latest reports from Mr. McGee's bedside, however, he seemed to be doing as well as could be expected, with little likelihood that any serious complications would set in.

MUTUALIZATION ENDORSED.

By Vote of Policy Holders in Metropolitan Life.

New York, Dec. 28.—Mutualization of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was endorsed by policy holders here today. Only about 1,600 voted against the plan while 65,000 gave their approval. Most of the votes were by proxy.

Mutualization already had been approved by stockholders and directors. If the state superintendent of insurance approves the proposal, control of the company will pass into the hands of the policy holders, who will elect a board of directors.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1914.

Was Travis' opposition to the Tax amendment loaded?

Now we shall see who is opposed to the unamended constitution.

Soon after January 1st all the demagogues will get busy again.

Anyhow, Christmas put at least $200,000,000 in circulation in this country.

Next Saturday is the time to begin depositing money in the savings banks for next Christmas.

Another thing that makes farm hands scarce is that thousands have taken to the field of sport.

Most men draw conclusions of some sort but they often look like those of Bud Fisher's Mutt and Jeff.

"Judge not, lest ye be judged" for being not a whit better than others who happened to be judged by you.

Why should anybody object to having his property assessed at its true value, as the present constitution requires?

On and after next Friday, January, 1, 1915, tighten up on the traces in your determination to pull for Wilmington.

One of the good resolutions to make for the New Year is to attend to your own business and monkey less with that of your neighbor.

The only disagreeable thing about economizing is that when everybody economizes business looks like 30 cents compared with the nimble silver dollar.

People who prefer to live isolated lives are so cold towards other people that those who have to go into their homes occasionally feel as if they had been in cold estorage for a week.

Next time the junk man comes along he is apt to cart away the broken toys which many a boy received through Santa Claus. Most little girls have theirs tucked away and will have them this time next year.

It is reported that Huerta is living a quite life in Barcelonia, Spain. When exile enables men like the old Indian to live a quite life, it is a pity that Mexico cannot rapidly increase her colony of exiles in Barcelona.

If the American people will only remember that the high tariff has been back of monopoly and that monopoly is always back of protection, they will be slow about ever putting the trust-breeding party back into power.

At least this much can be said with all safety: If all property in the State be assessed at its true money value—including land, solvent credits and other intangible property—the tax rate can be greatly reduced without decreasing the State's revenue.

A Pittsburg man's wife on Christmas day commited assault on him with a lump of coal. That is evidence of the fact that it is not summer time in the Smoky City. Otherwise the ice pick would have been the material evidence in the case so far as the season is concerned.

Says the Louisville Courier-Journal: "Some women seem to think that being married there or four years in sufficient grounds for divorce." In some cases, however, it must be admitted that three or four years is a long time for a woman to make up her mind that a horrible mistake was made at the time she got married.

Think of the brave Europeans who are facing shotted artillery, machine gun fire, steel-jacketed bullets from thousands of high power rifles, and death dealing bayonets! Life for them is a matter of hit or miss. Today it may be miss, tomorrow it may be hit and all over. If they have the courage to face death and eternity, why should we not have courage to face our duties and responsibilities in 1915, and even face trials, disappointments, sorrows and adversity itself?

HOMES FOR BELGIAN REFUGEES.

The biggest task of the European war, so far as England is concerned, is to provide homes for the half million Belgian refugees who had to leave their own country for the safety and hspitality of benevolent and friendly Britain. That is the view of Rev. Dr. Dugald Macfadyen, of London, who arrived in Wilmington a few days ago and who made some interesting observations on that subject, as was to have been seen in an interview published in The Star yesterday morning.

The distinguished London minister lectured at St. James' Parish House yesterday afternoon, and doubtless no more intensely interesting and entertaining lecture was ever heard in our city. Dr. Macfadyen is well known to many of our Wilmington people, and it feels honored by his occasional visits, and especially that he entertains kindly and appreciative sentiments for this part of North Carolina. He is a man of great scholarly attainments and fine ability and his edifying lecture was greatly appreciated by all who heard him, despite the exceedingly inclement weather which we happened to have on this occasion.

Dr. Macfadyen spoke out of the fullness of his heart about the distressing condition and necessities of the Belgian refugees, and everywhere in America his solicitude for them is in unison with a sympathetic chord throughout this country. There is hardly a portion of America that is not anxious to have a goodly number of Belgians as settlers and particularly so is this garden spot portion of North Carolina.

At the solicitation of former Ambassador Bryce, Dr. Macfadyen came to America to acquaint us with the plight of the Belgians, who, he says, necessarily will have to seek homes in some other part of the world than their own country. They prefer the United States and it is altogether a mutual idea that they should come here and get a new start and grow up with us in a new national, social and industrial atmosphere.

England feels her obligations in securing congenial settlements for the refugees, and while she feels that it is her task and duty to seek homes for them, it behooves Eastern North Carolina to provide the homes. North Carolina wants them all right and now is a good time for The Star to repeat the statement that if we expect to get them we must prepare for them.

We can invite them and will welcome them, of course, but if we really expect them to come they must be told that we have prepared a place for them. In other words, we will have to organize colonization companies or farms companies, build suitable homes, and afford them agricultural opportunities that will assure their success and contentment.

Quite naturally the Belgians will desire to settle in colonies or communities. That will be necessary, owing to their language and customs, till they are assimilated. If we are going to take any definite steps in this direction it is time we were at it. This is a time of emergency, we must recollect, so that upon prompt action depends whether we are going to get any of those people or not.

We heed not wish if we do not act. Dr. Macfadyen knows about the fine adaptabilities of this garden spot part of the South, and since he has expressed the belief that it will be specially suitable for them, it remains for us to put definite plans on foot to secure a large number of them for this section.

IS JAPAN DONE WITH THE WAR?

The action of the Imperial Diet of Japan in refusing further military credit to the government, and the Mikado's consequent action in dissolving that body on Friday last, has impressed quite a number of American newspapers with the idea that it means that Japan has participated in the European war to her proposed limit. We are not so sure that the dissolution of the Diet means that altogether, but it does mean that Japan's responsible representative body manifests opposition to further burdening that country with either war, or greater military expenses. This interesting view is expressed by the Columbia State:

"The necessity under which the Japanese Emperor found himself when he dissolved the Imperial Diet for a refusal to vote the army estimates for 1915 of $278,000,000, should both allay the fears of a Japanese army on European battlefields and put a quietus on the Clemenceau propaganda in France looking to that sort of aid from the Island Kingdom. So far as Japan is concerned, the nation would probably rise to the opportunity of sending five hundred thousand men to Europe, an army of the very flower of militarism containing thousands on thousands of the seasoned veterans of Port Arthur, Liao Yang and Mukden. It would be in entire keeping with Japanese pride and ambition to match the brown soldier for modern discipline against the machine-like units of the German armies. Defeating Russia was a brilliant accomplishment, but it was not in itself sufficient to place Japan's reputation as a military power firmly alongside that of Germany and France. The Russian army was at that time rotten with graft and rust. It was attempting a campaign in a rough country thousands of miles from its base. It labored, also, under the disadvantage of despising its foe, and reaped the usual surprise. It would be magnificent from the Japanese point of view, therefore, to accept the handicap of fighting far from home and to prove the equal or superior in effectiveness of the best of European troops. Were the war decided as the direct result of her intervention by land, the importance of Japan as a nation would be increased in a year by the measure of a generation of even her rapid development.

"The episode of the dissolved Diet shows the best of several reasons why Japan will not enter the arena of the French or Russian battlefields. The country is not able to 'pay the shot.' The budget asked, and which was denied because of decreased revenues and increased taxes, called for an amount that would be but a drop in the bucket to an expeditionary force. If the army goes, the Allies must pay its way, and the Allies have all they can do at present to pay their own way. Again, were Japan to raise the dust and send the army, she would have to be compensated adequately, exactly how does not clearly appear. Most forceful of all reasons for keeping Japan's part in the war purely within the Far East, where she has now little if anything to do, is, however, the public opinion that wishes to see her kept definitely in that portion of the world. Indian troops and Turkos fighting as colonials are one thing; a brown nation in arms coming in the pose of rescuer of distracted Europe is another, and one for which Europe is not ready to concede the necessity."

It came from European sources recently that Russia desired the aid of Japanese troops in the war against Germany and Austria, but that Great Britain had not given her consent, or at least, had not manifested her position on the question. We presume that it depends upon contingencies. We should say that it largely depends upon Japan's obligations to her British ally. Whatever those obligations are, it is quite likely they will be fulfilled despite the action of the Diet. This action of the Diet by no means signifies a finality of Japan's participation in the war. America, of course, would prefer Europeans to fight out their own war, but it is a matter with which we are not concerned beyond the humane and international interest that is felt in every eventuality of the titanic struggle in Europe.

KEEPING MEN IN TRAINING FOR THE NAVY.

One great need of the navy is to be assured always of trained men to man the warships and be able to serve their guns in case of necessity. Secretary Daniels comprehends that and he has made a suggestion which is receiving commendation all over the country.

In order for the navy to be in a position to call trained men back to the service after their enlisted time has been served, he recommends that instead of discharging enlisted men from the navy at the end of their term of enlistment, they should be given the option of entering the reserves on a scale of pay graduated according to the length of their active service. The remuneration of the reserves would range from $30 a year up to half pay for long termers; and it would carry the obligation to attend musters at stated intervals and to resume active service in the event of war. The details of the plan are subject to revision after discussion, of course, but it is agreed that on its face such a plan seems excellent.

The naval records show that less than one-third of first-term men at present re-enlist. The plan would encourage re-enlistment, the men being assured what is practically retiring pay after long service. Moreover, some 5,000 of the men annually discharged might be induced to enter the reserve, and in ten years this reserve would be large enough to double the effective strength of our naval personnel.

In addition to Secretary Daniels' plan, however, the Navy Department will have to pay more attention to the naval militia of the states.

"PROGRESSIVE" AND "RADICAL"

The State Tax Commission's plan for solving the problem of revenue and taxation has been referred to in some of the State papers as "progressive" enough to satisfy those persons who are the staunchest advocates of measures described by that term, and also as containing "radical" departures from the old system. If it is progressive to go back to the old constitutional requirement and assess property at its true value in money, then the programme of the Tax Commission is a progressive one. If however, anybody thinks such an end can be reached by anything less than radical means is North Carolina, he has another thought coming.

To most people in North Carolina having their property assessed at its true value in money, as required by the old constitution, is a bitter pill. The Tax Commission was wise therefore, in suggesting, as a sugar coating for the pill, that the Legislature state specifically in the Revenue and Machinery acts that the purpose of the assessment is not to increase taxes but to equalize taxes; that the State tax rate be not fixed until the taxable returns are all in, so that the value of the property may be known, and that the rate then levied shall be such as will not increase the total revenue more than 6 per cent. a year.

SEALED CARGO OF COTTON.

Galveston celebrated Christmas day by shipping the first sealed cargo of cotton to Germany. It was Galveston's first cargo to Germany since the war broke out in Europe, and furthermore it went on an American steamship, the Pathfinder. That is a good name for a ship which it is hoped may be able to find a path through the mines floating around in the North Sea. It also is hoped she will blaze a new path for America's own carrying trade.

The Pathfinder's cargo consists of 6,550 bales of cotton, valued at $455,000. It goes direct to Bremen, and the Pathfinder's commander, Captain Boyle, in addition to his other papers, carries an oath from the agents that the cargo consists of nothing but cotton. The hatches were sealed in the presence of the French consul and a representative of Lloyd's, London. Both certified that the vessel contained only American cotton and that it is entitled to unobstructed passage into German waters and into a German port.

We admit that is humiliating, but probably it is better. It does not look like the proper thing, however, for a great nation to have its commerce under espionage in its own ports and that foreigners should be certifying the cargo and guaranteeing an unmolested passage across the high seas. That is what Uncle Sam should have done himself, and his seal and his certification should be the open sesame to the high seas for his commerce.

It is the duty of this government, as a neutral nation, to see to it that no ship sails from any of its ports with contraband. That would only be enforcing neutrality and that is precisely what ought to be done. However, this great nation owes it to itself to demand of all belligerents safe passage on the high seas for its commerce. Because nations are at war there should be no concession to any of them to dominate the commerce of a neutral nation, especially one that ought to be able to give a cargo guarantee that ought to be respected on its face.

The war puts quite a tax on commerce, and that is enough, without practically having an embargo placed upon neutral commerce. The freight rate on the cotton shipped in the Pathfinder was the largest ever paid out at the port of Galveston, being $3 per hundred pounds, or $15 a bale. At this time last year the current rate was 32 to 35 cents per hundred pounds, or $1.60 to $1.75 a bale. Quite a difference!

That is the reason Germany and Austria are paying from 19 to 20 cents a pound for cotton. Three cents a pound for carrying cotton into a dangerous zone is figured in the price, while in addition to that there is higher insurance and higher brokerage charge on account of the war.

The Atlanta Constitution compares Petrograd with Atlanta, to show how well the Russian city behaved on Christmas day, while in the Georgia metropolis "there broke forth the regularly anticipated saturnalia of drunkeness, of murder of bloodshed, of wild riot." Of course, the Constitution forgets that Petrograd's Christmas comes 13 days after ours, so we have to wait and see what the Petrograduates do. Yet the Constitution is moved to say that "the capital of Russia, on Christmas day, had a police record as clean as a hound's tooth", while in Atlanta "there is piled up a record that would shame a jungle". After all, American civilization, which we fancy is superior to other countries, isn't but our esteemed Atlanta contemporary should cheer up. Georgia's civilization has never been bloted by wholesale slaughter of Jews.

A lot of the handicap on ocean trade is unreasonable. Of course, precaution and vigilance are necessary but arbitrary interference is not. When legitimate ocean trade is let alone conditions in the United States, in South America and all neutral countries will rapidly improve. The impatience of the South American countries is as justifiable as it is apparent.

By a big majority people of State voted with Mr. Travis to stand by the old constitution as to assessment of property. Now Mr. Travis proposes that we shall stop violating that old constitution. Will the same majority that voted with him November 3rd uphold his hands in seeing that the venerable document is no longer violated?

ONE NOW EQUALS A SWARM LATER

To the Editor of The Star:

Swat the winter fly. Do it NOW. Every fly that lives through the winter means a swarm next summer.

HEALTH.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Producers of wool in the United States are enjoying flush times. The millions of soldiers in the trenches are incessantly crying for more socks and underwear. In the vernacular of finance, the wool growers of Ohio, Montana and other states are "making a killing" this year. In South Carolina wool might be grown, but it is preferred that the yellow dogs "make the killing."—Columbia State.

It is a source of congratulation to the State that some $600,000 additional appropriations have been made for inland waterway purposes. While the amount is a part of the total estimate, yet the original appropriation for the inland waterways of our State was due to the far-sighted statesmanship of Hon. John H. Small, whose untiring efforts in behalf of his State, have been marked by brilliant accomplishments for the past 10 years. No representative is worth more to his state than this modest yet able Congressman from the First district.—High Point Enterprise.

There is a string to the British order lifting the ban on cotton exports from the United States. After the bales have been X-rayed by British consular agents at our ports, in order to prevent our cotton planters from concealing cannons, copper and other things which might be of use to the wicked Germans, the cargoes may still be held up and searched on the high seas by British naval officers. The latter are not bound to accept the certificates of their own consular officers as absolutely clean bills of health. If they suspect anything, and they nearly always do, the "rights" of belligerency may be exercised by them. This is more than a string—it is an anchor chain.—Philadelphia Record.

The Duplin Enterprise figures it out that the holly shipped from Duplin, Brunswick, Onslow, Bladen and Sampson counties brought returns amounting to $30,000. The holly shipped from those eastern counties is sold at $150 a carload, so, if The Enterprise's figures are right, a sufficient number of holly trees were destroyed to load 200 cars. The shipment of holly from eastern North Carolina is an industry of recent origin, having been started about four years ago. It has taken on larger proportions each year, and if the present rate is maintained for a year or two more, it is going to come to an abrupt end, for there will be no holly trees to strip.—Charlotte Observer.

Like the Democratic majority in Congress, the Democratic majority in the State Legislature has been cut quite so heavy. In the Senate of the new Legislature there are 43 Democrats, where there were last year 47. There are seven Republicans where there were three. In the House there are 97 Democrats against 101, and 21 Republicans against 16. In the last Legislature were two members representing what was considered the Progressive party. These have been wiped out. There was one man classed as an independent. He has disappeared, also. The Democrats still have what might be called a "reckless majority," but it is to be hoped they will be on guard and enact no legislation except of a character to be of benefit to the State, thereby giving the Republicans no chance for the "come-back" they are looking for.—Charlotte Observer.

PAROLED MEN MAKE GOOD.

Only Eighteen Out of Five Hundred Have Been Returned to Prison.

(Jefferson City Dispatch to Kansas City Star.)

The State board of pardons and paroles submitted a report to Governor Major today showing that out of 312 convicts paroled from the prison in the last two years, only 12 have violated their paroles, and have been returned to prison. All the others are following some useful occupation. Those who have obeyed their paroles are earning from $9 a week up, several instances being cited where they are earning as much as $100 a month. Out of 500 paroles issued in the last four years only 18 have violated the terms of their release.

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LECTURE ON BELGIUM'S PRESENT CONDITION

Dr. Dugald Macfadyen Shows Scenes of Devastation.

Stereopticon Used to Give Vivid Pictures of Damage Wrought in Little European County by the Ravages of War.

The ruin and havoc wrought in Belgium by the ravages of war during the first three months of the present European conflict were vividly shown in stereopticon pictures at St. James' Episcopal church Parish house yesterday afternoon by Rev. Dr. Dugald Macfadyen, of London. On account of the rainy weather the audience was not a large one, but those present showed their deep interest in this little country which has suffered so terribly.

"Belgium, After Three Months of War" was the subject of the lecture by Dr. Macfadyen, who said that when he determined to visit America in the interest of the Belgian refugees he decided that he would use the most effective method possible for showing the actual conditions as they exist and that he realized that the best way to do this was by actual photographs.

Rev. Dr. Wm. R. Milton was chairman of the meeting and introduced the speaker. Dr. Milton stated that while men might differ in their opinions as to the causes of the European war that there was one outstanding fact in which everyone was deeply interested and that this is the awful devastation that has been wrought in Belgium. One of the questions in which practically everybody is interested, he said, is the best means of relieving the destitute Belgians.

Dr. Macfadyen did not hesitate to place the blame for the larger part of the devastation in Belgium upon the German army. He was not vehement in his denunciation; he did not denounce, but he made it clear that it was his conviction that the Germans had done many things in that country that are contrary to the principles of civilized warfare, if the word civilized can be used in connection with war.

As an Englishman he was glad to breathe the free atmosphere of America, he declared, and to enjoy the liberty of a neutral nation. The great principles which underlie our Democratic form of government he stated, are the same as those of the English nation.

After showing how England has endeavored to care for many of the Belgian refugees he explained that it had been a great pleasure for the English people to do this for these unfortunate people for three reasons, the first being for their heroic resistance to the German army, the second being to right a great wrong and the last being that the English people feel that they owe it to the Belgians to make up in every way possible for the suffering that they have endured for which they are in no sense to blame.

He characterized the resistance of the Belgians at Liege when they held back the German army for 14 days as one of the great military feats of history and said that it was an invaluable aid to the Allies.

The refugees came to London under very distressing circumstances, he stated, and were received in a most hospitable manner. While not hesitating to say that in the first days of the war that the Germans committed atrocities he thought that they no longer did so.

He discussed Belgian neutrality about which volumes have been written and gave the English viewpoint on this important question. "Might is right until right gets ready to act," he declared, "and the English people feel that they have a wrong to right."

"As in this war new terrors, new horrors, new treacheries, new atrocities have been enacted, the like of which has never before been seen in the history of the world," he continued, "what those of us interested in the Belgians desire is that this shall not be all, but that when the history of the war shall be written, as it will be, that there may also be a new chapter written on the humane side. What we need now is a mobilization of conscience and duty."

After these introductory remarks he showed a large number of pictures commenting briefly on each. The first was a photograph of Melle, a small village, before the war and then several showing how many of its houses and residences had been destroyed. There were many pictures shown of the refugees landing on English soil, views of Namur, Louvain, Antwerp, Malines and Brussels. Many of the scenes shown were labeled "Burned Out."

WEEK OF CLOUDY WEATHER

More Rain Promised Today But Fair Tomorrow, According to Observer Feiger—Warmer Still.

More rain is promised today by Observer Feiger and, of course, it will be cloudy. This will round up a week of cloudy weather but it is freely predicted in weather circles that it will be fair tomorrow. Inasmuch as this has been the prediction for three days past, Wilmington people are not inclined to attach much importance to it. However, it is getting warmer all the time and ere long a tropical climate is promised for Wilmington while other sections still have wintry blasts.

It rained all day yesterday and at the time Observer Feiger took his last observation last night only slightly more than a fifth of an inch had been recorded for the 24 hours preceding. It was one of those misty, foggy rains that are far from being desirable.

Rain also fell in Asheville, Raleigh and Charlotte but not in a sufficient quantity to make an appreciable impression on the government record. Asheville recorded the highest temperature of any city in the State, the maximum being 52 degrees, while the maximum in Wilmington was 39 degrees. Charlotte had the lowest temperature with 28 degrees.

Christmas Services Postponed

On account of the very inclement weather Sunday night, the Christmas services which were to have been conducted by the B. Y. P. U. at Calvary Baptist church Sunday night were postponed until next Sunday night. The regular services were held by the pastor, Rev. J. A. SuHivan. An elaborate programme has been prepared by the young people.

JOINT NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION

Members of Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Planning for Big Event on Friday of This Week.

One of the important social events of the holiday season in Wilmington will be the joint New Year's reception at the Y. M. C. A. by the members of this organization and the members of the Young Woman's Christian Association Friday afternoon and evening. In the afternoon the Junior Division of the Y. M. C. A. will give a reception to the junior members of the Y. W. C. A. and in the evening the adult members of both organizations will give a reception to the general public.

In the afternoon there will be scout and camp fire demonstrations and special work in the gymnasium. There will also be a musical programme and refreshments will be served. The rooms will be decorated in a most attractive manner.

The reception in the evening will be an elaborate affair. The first reception on last New Year's night was largely attended and was a splendid success from every standpoint. This year it is expected that the attendance will be much larger. The building will be beautifully decorated for the occasion by a committee of ladies from the Y. W. C. A.

The members of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. with their wives and husbands together with the ministers of the city and their wives will act as a reception committee and will leave nothing unturned to make the evening an enjoyable affair for all who come.

There will be a special series of athletic events in the gymnasium consisting of basketball games and tumbling. An orchestra will furnish music in the lobby and there will also be a special musical programme in which some of the best musical talent of the city will take part.

Refreshments will be served in the educational department on the second floor of the building and in the club room there will be attractive exhibits of the work that is beng done in the different departments.

Special committees have been appointed to look after the different features of the reception.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

Christmas Tree by Delgado Presbyterian Sunday School.

The Christmas entertainment of the Delgado Presbyterian Sunday school took place last night in the Sunday school room before a large crowd of interested pupils and friends of the school. A most delightful time was had by everyone present, who enjoyed a visit from the ever popular Santa Claus, Capt. W. P. Monroe.

There were a number of delightful songs and recitations by the little folks, among them being James Benson, Charles Brewer, Cranmer Cook, Lillie Allen, Lovey Ward, Johnnie Farrow, Robert Skipper, Adell Albright, Irene Millican, Kiva Jarrell, Jessie Benton, Rosa Brewer, Shelby Russ, Ethel Buie, Carroll Wallace, Mary Benson, Gladys Brewer, Edna King, Bertha Caison, Jessie Millican, Lou Hewett, Edna Caison and Janie Smith.

The exercises were concluded with the presentation of gifts from the well loaded pack of jolly old Santa Claus.

MEETING OF MINISTERS.

Rev. J. S. Crowley Read Interesting Paper on Billy Sunday.

Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian church, read an interesting paper on Rev. Billy Sunday, the well known evangelist, at the regular weekly meeting of the Wilmington Ministerial Association yesterday morning. The paper was based on the reports of a series of meetings, conducted by Mr. Sunday, made by William T. Ellis, a prominent writer on religious subjects. Following the reading of the paper there was a discussion of the methods used by the evangelist in which a number of the ministers took part.

The meeting was presided over by Rev. F. B. Clausen, president, and a record of the proceedings was kept by the secretary, Mr. J. B. Huntington. Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, conducted the devotional exercises.

Before the Recorder.

Jake Bryant, colored, was fined $5 and the costs by the Recorder yesterday for an assault and being unable to furnish the money was ordered sent to the roads for 30 days. A case against Robert Herring, colored, charged with larceny, was continued until Thursday morning and being unable to give bond in the sum of $100 went to jail. A case against Willie Burnett, colored, charged with larceny and also with assault, was continued until today.

ANNUAL RECEPTION BY ELKS

Brilliant Social Event by Wilmington Lodge in Their Temple Thursday Evening.

The annual New Year's reception by the Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, B. P. Order of Elks, will be given in their Temple, No. 213 North Front street, on Thursday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. This will be one of the most brilliant social events of the holiday season in Wilmington social circles and will be largely attended by friends of this popular order.

Exalted Ruler S. M. King is chairman of the committee on reception, the other members being Dr. Chas. T. Harper, Dr. J. H. Bornemann and Messrs. C. W. Polvogt, L. Stein, James Owen Reilly, H. E. Longley. They will have charge of the arrangements for the occasion.

There will be music by an orchestra and also a special musical programme in which the leading musicians of the city will take part. The club rooms will be attractively decorated for the occasion.

There will be dancing during the evening and refreshments will be served. The reception by the Elks this year is being given on New Year's eve instead of New Year's night, as usual.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—The salvage steamship Iaqua brought word today that the Danish motorship Malakka, ashore with a valuable cargo of Cedros Island, 300 miles south of San Diego, Cal., has holds No. 1 and 2 full of water and that Nos. 3 and 4 and the engine room are leaking, but under control. No opinion of the likelihood of salvage is expressed.

PRESTON CUMMING DEAD

Venerable Wilmington Citizen Passed Away Last Midnight Rather Suddenly at His Home

Although he had been in rather feeble health for a year or longer, the community in which he had lived so long will be totally unprepared for the shock which will go with the announcement of the death of Mr. Preston Cumming, one of Wilmington's oldest and most highly esteemed residents, which occurred rather suddenly last midnight at his home, No. 315 South Second street.

Mr. Cumming was up and down town as usual during the day and afternoon and was at supper with members of the family as usual last evening. Later, however, he suffered an acute attack of the heart and within a short time he had answered the summons. News of his death will come with great sorrow to all who enjoyed in this life his genial presence and his splendid companionship. Although occurring at a late hour last night, his death drew to the saddened home a number of friends who expressed their sorrow and tendered their condolences to the bereaved ones. Arrangements for the funeral will be made later.

Mr. Cumming was born February 22nd, 1843 and was, therefore, in the 72nd. year of his age. He had lived practically all his life in Wilmington and was perhaps as well known as any man in Wilmington. When a mere lad of 17 years, although even at that early age engaged in teaching, he volunteered for the War Between the States and rose rapidly to a lieutenancy in what is known as "Cumming's Battery", which was commanded by his oldest brother, Capt. James D. Cumming, C. S. A., who preceded him to the grave some 15 years ago while a resident of New York. Mr. Cumming was an intrepid soldier and served his country valiantly to the end of the conflict.

Returning to Wilmington after the war, he was engaged first in business with Capt. W. P. Oldham, of this city; traveled at one time with the firm of Willard Brothers and was still later engaged extensively in the grain business with Mr. E. J. Lilly, now of Fayetteville. Later in life he served several terms as deputy clerk of the State Superior court, under the lamented Col. John D. Taylor, but in still later years, owing to the condition of his health, he was not actively engaged in business. He was a man of strong intellectuality, well read and a delightful conversationalist. He made many friends and lasting ones. He was a member of the Fourth street Christian Advent church.

He married first Miss Virginia Lilly, of Fayetteville, on November 13th, 1870, she having preceded him to the grave years ago. As a result of that union, there are now surviving one daughter, Mrs. Walker Taylor, of this city, and two sons, Henry L. Cumming, Esq., a well known engineer of Mexico City, Mexico, now on a visit to his father here, and Preston Cumming Jr., Esq., a member of the New York bar. He married a second time, in April 1900, Mrs. Johnnie Hardwick and she, with one daughter, Miss Anne Bacot Cumming, survives him. The only other near relatives of Mr. Cumming are his nephew, Mr. W. M. Cumming, of this city; a nephew, Mr. James E. Cumming, of New York, and a Niece Mrs. Burrus Corprew of Norfolk, Va., The bereaved ones have the sympathy of a host of friends in their sorrow.

Absent members of the family have been notified of the death and pending time of their arrival arrangements for the funeral will not be made.

Of him it could be truthfully said as he was fond of saying of one of his most devoted friends, "He is the bravest and the gentlest man I ever knew." Always cheerful and full of life and energy he never admitted defeat nor did he ever fail to speak a kind word to his friends, no matter how dark and dreary the day.

Although in declining health for the last year of his life he retained his mental faculties unimpaired to the last. While his interest in the affairs that engage men's minds in their daily work was not so keen in the last few months, he nevertheless retained a deep interest in the things worth while.

He knew in whom he had believed and was fully persuaded that He was able to keep that which he had committed to Him against that day.

MRS. FRANCES WALTON DEAD.

Respected Christian Woman Passed Away Yesterday Afternoon.

Many friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Frances A. Walton, wife of the late J. C. Walton, which occurred yesterday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock at her residence, No. 619 Castle street. She had been ill for several months but not seriously until about three weeks ago. She was in her 58th year.

She was a devoted and faithful member of Fourth Street Christian Advent church and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew her.

Surviving her are five children as follows: Mrs. F. P. Davis, Mrs. J. H. Davis, Mrs. W. H. Lane, Mr. John C. Walton and Mr. James M. Walton, all of this city. Surviving also is one brother, Mr. J. J. Williams, of Wilmington.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE.

Beautiful Observance of Yuletide Spirit at St. John's Mission.

The Community Christmas tree, planned to have been given on Christmas evening, but which was postponed on account of inclement weather, was held last evening at 7:30 o'clock at St. John's Mission, No. 1313 North Fourth street. On account of the inclement weather there was not as large an attendance as there otherwise would have been, but the exercises were witnessed by more than a hundred people in spite of the rain.

Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, had charge of the exercises, which were given on the lawn. The services could not be held on as an elaborate scale as originally planned, but was in every way a success. It is hoped that this may be the inauguration of a Community Christmas tree on a much larger scale next year.

Auburn, Dec. 28—By the will of the late Sereno Elisha Payne, representative in Congress, admitted to probate today, property valued at $75,000 is left to three sisters and a son, William K. Payne.

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LATE MR. JACOB A. RENDLEMAN

Father of Mrs. J. F. Rulfs Who Died in Rowan County

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Rulfs and children have returned from Salisbury whither they were called Saturday by the death of Mrs. Rulfs' aged father, Mr. Jacob Alexander Rendleman. The Salisbury Post, carrying an account of the funeral, pays the deceased a fine tribute. He was 81 years of age and a native of Rowan county. Since 1873 he had been until his retirement from business, prominent in the mercantile circles of Salisbury. He is survived by his widow and six children, these being Mrs. W. M. Taylor, John L. Rendleman, Esq., Mrs. Belle Peeler and Jacob A. Rendleman, Jr., all of Salisbury; Mr. Chas. A. Rendleman, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Mrs. John F. Rulfs of this city. The post says of Mr. Rendleman in part:

"In late years Mr. Rendleman had remained closely in the quiet of his home, being too feeble to go abut His life has been one of the most beautiful and almost spotless. He was a great home man and when not attending to business or engaged in his religious duties he could always be found in his home, the place where he delighted to spend the time with his loved ones and for whom he had always made the most liberal provision.

"As a churchman he was faithful to the end. In has active life he was a pillar in the Lutheran church and was for years an official member of St. John's church in this city, being for many years treasurer of the church council. He was liberal in support of the church financially and gave of his time and his wise counsel in the conduct of her affairs. Although having reached a ripe old age and having lived a life well spent there is genuine sorrow over his passing. In his death Salisbury has lost one of her most honored and respected citizens, the church a devoted friend and supporter and the family a loving, kind and tender father, and scores of people a bosom friend and very desirable acquaintance.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Children of Bladen Street Church Have Enjoyable Programme.

The Sunday school of Bladen Street Methodist church had a delightful and enjoyable Christmas tree and entertainment last evening at the church, which was largely attended. Following the rendering of the attractive programme in the main auditorium of the church, the children passed by the altar, each bringing some gift for the orphans, and passed into the Sunday school room where they received presents of fruit and candy. Mr. J. B. Taylor is superintendent of the Sunday school, and presided at the exercises.

Following is the programme rendered by the children:

Song—"O Little Town of Bethlehem" by Children.

Prayer by the pastor, Rev. T. G. Vickers.

Recitation—"I Wish You a Merry Christmas," by Noah Shelley.

Christmas exercise, by nine children.

Recitation—"The Song of Good Will" by Myrtle Brown.

Song—"All My Heart This Night Rejoices," by children.

Reading—"The Story of the Christ Child," by Andrew Lee.

Recitation—"A Cradle Song" by Rosa Lee Cox.

Duet—"The Holy Baby," by Lucile Bradshaw and Madeline Pickett.

Recitation—"Me for Christmas" by Vernon Huggins.

Song—"From the Eastern Mouhtains" by children.

An Exercise—"Stars for the Christmas Crown" by five children.

Duet—"On the Housetop," by Rebecca Hardin and Miriam Taylor.

Song—"It came Upon the Midnight Clear," by children.

Recitation—"I Wish the Stars Would Speak to Me" by Judson George.

Song—"Under the Stars" by Beulah Huggins, Miriam Summerell, Delores Sellers and Andrew Lee.

Recitation—"The Holy Quest" by Bessie Sawyer.

Song—"Joy to the World" by children and congregation.

Recitation by Bessie Nixon.

TO ATTEND SILVER JUBILEE.

Very Rev. Father C. Dennen Attending Meeting in Savannah, Ga.

Very Rev. Father Christopher Dennen, rector of St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, and dean of North Carolina, left yesterday afternoon for Savannah, Ga., to attend the silver jubilee of Very Rev. Bernard Huss, O. S. B., dean of Georgia. The services will take place in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Other prominent church dignitaries who will attend the jubilee are: Rt. Rev. Bishop Kelly, of West Virginia; Rt. Rev. Bishop Haid, of North Carolina; Rt. Rev. Bishop Northrup, of South Carolina, and Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Connell, of Virginia. There will be a large attendance of priests from Georgia and other states.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LANCASTER

Services From Immanuel Presbyterian Church Yesterday Afternoon

Attended by many sorrowing friends and relatives the funeral of Mrs. H. W. Lancaster, who died at the James Walker Memorial Hospital Saturday night, was held from Immanuel Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Crowley. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs. J. S. Singletary, Joe Hale, William Wylie, Edward Register, Henry Barth and George Barth.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Viola Price, of Rocky Mount, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

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Miss Athalia Lord, of Asheville, is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Munds, No. 207 Ann street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whyte, who have been visiting relatives in Petersburg, have returned to the city.

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Miss Annie Garrison, after spending Christmas at her home at Hampsted, has returned to the city.

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Mrs. Benjamin M. Jones has returned home after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. M. B. Nixon.

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Miss Katherine McRae is visiting friends in the city. She formerly lived in the city but is now at Barium Springs.

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Misses Lena, Eva and Carrie Westbrook have returned to Wilmington after spending the holidays at Hampstead with relatives.

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There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment by the Sunday school of St. Matthew's Lutheran church this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

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Dr. Colin Shaw, who spent the holidays in the city with his mother, Mrs. N. G. Shaw, returned to his home at Maysville yesterday.

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Colonel Andrew J. Gray, Mrs. Gray and little son, John Springer Gray, are guests of Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Springer, at The Orton.

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The Christmas entertainment of the First Baptist church Sunday school has been postponed until Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock on account of the inclement weather.

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St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday school will have its Christmas tree celebration tonight at 7:30 o'clock. All members of the school with their parents and friends are cordially invited.

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Following a visit to the homes of their parents in Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Thompson, Jr., have returned to the city and are again at home at No. 419 South Third street.

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Miss Beatrice Gregson, of Hamlet, who has been visiting Misses Dorothy and Margaret Meier, No. 810 Princess street, will return home today and will be accompanied by the Misses Meier.

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Little Miss Helen Scott Reilly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Owen Reilly, entertained a few of her friends at a delightful party yesterday afternoon at her home, No. 212 Nun street.

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Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq., Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., Jr., and Mr. Daniel S. Russell have returned from Norfolk where they spent Christmas with Capt. Maurice Chiswell, of the United States revenue cutter Onondaga.

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Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. John H. Thomas is confined to her home, No. 115 North Third street, by a broken arm which she susetained Sunday when she fell upon the slippery pavement.

Little Miss Marie Louise Hanby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hanby, who has been indisposed at the Hanby home on Wrightsville Sound, has improved, as many friends of the little girls and the family will learn with pleasure.

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The Sunday School of the First Presbyterian church will have an elaborate Christmas tree and entertainment this evening at 7:45 in the Chadbourn Memorial hall. Workmen have been busy for the last several days preparing a large stage with suitable decorations and there will be an immense tree.

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Mrs. W. H. Diehm left last evening for Lancaster, Pa., where she and Mr. Diehm will make their home. They have made their home here and leave a number of friends who will regret their leaving. Mr. Diehm has been president of the Lancaster Business College for the past four months.

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Edwin McClure, John Bonitz, Martel Tremaine, David and William Roberts, Dudley Howell, Samuel Behrends, "Teddy" Burr, Carl Bannerman and Richard Warren, who have been spending the holidays at home with their parents, returned yesterday to Westminster School near Rutherfordton.

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Mr. J. Shepard Bryan, who is a student at the University of North Carolina, is spending the holidays with his parents at Scott's Hill and has as his guests Mr. Manuel G. Quevedo, of Union de Reye, Cuba, and Mr. R. P. Bryan, Jr., of Shanghai, China, who are also students at the University. They spent yesterday in the city with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shepard en route to Whiteville to attend a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Schulken.

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WATCH NIGHT SERVICE AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly business and social meeting in the church parlors Thursday, December 31st, at 8:30 P. M. An interesting programme has been arranged. As has been the custom for the past two years, this will be followed by a "watch-night" service, led by the prayer meeting committee of the society. A cordial invitation is extended to the young people of the church to be present.

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DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT FOR BENEFIT OF POOR.

The The Dansant which will be given at the Boys' Brigade armory Friday afternoon and evening will be for the benefit of the district nurse fund and the public is invited to attend. The entertainment in the afternoon will be especially for children and will be from 4 to 6 o'clock. The entertainment in the evening for adults will be from 9 until 11 o'clock.

The King's Daughters offer a unique and unusually attractive entertainment in which some of the most graceful and accomplished young ladies of Wilmington, will appear in the modern dances. Refreshments will be served at each entertainment.

Beyond all other pleasures will be the satisfaction enjoyed by those attending of having helped a worthy cause in contributing to the fund for the maintenance of the district nurse for the benefit of the own poor people of the city. Admission for ladies, 25 cents; children, 15 cents; gentlemen, 50 cents.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—The numerous friends of Mr. A. G. Hankins will be glad to learn that he has practically recovered from his recent injuries. He is still confined to his home but hopes to be out again at an early date.

—C. L. Myers, white, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Plainclothesman D. W. Coleman on a warrant charging him with gambling. He was recognized for his appearance before the Recorder today.

—The property of Mr. E. C. Bowersock, recently attached by officers from Justice Harriss' court, has been released, the alleged debts having been settled satisfactorily. The merchandise was consigned to Washington, D. C.

—The truckers of New Hanover county will hold a meeting at the court house this afternoon for the purpose of hearing the report of a committee appointed several weeks ago regarding the organization of a county co-operative association.

—Mr. I. Shrier, the well known clothier, bega nyesterday the removal of his stock of goods from the northeast corner of Front and Princess streets to his new place on Front street, next south of Woodall & Sheppard's drug store.

—After three yars' connection with the local branch of the Swift Fertilizer Works, Mr. Lester L. Ellis left yesterday afternoon for Savannah, Ga. where he will asume charge of the branch plant located in that city. His many friends in Wilmington and elsewhere will be glad to know of his promotion.

PROTEST AGAINST EMBARGO

Tampa Board of Trade Want Rosin and Turpentine Non-Contraband

A telegram was received yesterday by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce yesterday from the Board of Trade of Tampa, Fla., asking that the local organization protect by wire to to the Secretary of State and to the members of Congress from North Carolina against the placing of rosin and turpentine on the contraband list by Great Britain. The telegram was also sent to other commercial organizations throughout the South.

PERIODICAL EXAMINATION OF BRAINWORKER IMPORTANT.

To Ascertain Development of Change in Relation to Food.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—The importance of periodical examination of the brain worker to determine whether there has been developed a change in his relation to his food which threatens his efficiency, was urged here today by Dr. Louis Faugeres Bishop, of Fordham University, before the social and economic science section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"The life of a brain worker," Dr. Bishop said, "should consist of 40 years of preparations and 40 years of fruitful labor, but many leaders in thought are found giving out in the fifties, nearly all of the remainder in the sixties, with only a few enjoying active work in the seventies.

"Of the importance of rest, recration and xercise in the prolongation of efficiency, too much cannot be said but there is a large group whose efficiency and longevity depends upon diet. It may happen at any time to any brain worker, that he may develop an idiosyncracy against some particular food which may start a process of degeneration in his cells that eventually leads to his loss of efficiency and finally to loss of life.

"In the absence of a definite knowledge of the food relations of the individual, safety for the brain worker lies in the avoidance of the abuse of laxatives; in the limitation of the number of protein foods as much as convenient; a study of the actual food requirements of the body by means of the splendid classifications of food values that is distributed by the United States government; regular rest and exercise and the development of a proper philosophy of life."

FIVE BURNED TO DEATH IN FLORIDA WINTER HOME.

Family of Harry Alvey, Retired Capitalist of Baltimore.

Winter Haven, Fla., Dec. 28.—Harry Alvey, a retired capitalist of Baltimore, Md., his wife and three children lost their lives when their winter home near here was burned early today. The charred bodies of the victims were found together in the ruins of what had been the children's room. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

Frederick, Md., Dec. 28.—Alvey was the son of former Chief Judge Richard H. Alvey, of the Maryland court of appeals. Mrs. Alvey, before her marriage was Miss Bertha Keyser, well known in Baltimore society. The Alveys went to Florida to live about three years ago.

BRITISH MINISTER AT PANAMA CLARIFIES THE SITUATION.

Explains Use of Wireless by British Colliers in Canal Zone Waters.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Additional reports to the British embassy today from the British minister at Panama clarify the situation as to the use of wireless by British colliers in Canal Zone waters.

As an instance of the alleged unneutral use of wireless recently, it was said the British collier Protesilaus, while in the canal waters, received a radio message from outside the three mile limit directed to the British consul at Panama. The collier's captain endeavored to forward it to the consul through the American port captain. The latter official refused, and also caused the wireless apparatus of the collier to be sealed pending her departure.

It appeared the captain of the Portesilaus had not received official information of new regulations prohibiting the use of radio outfits in the canal, except upon canal business, but notwithstanding that the British authorities concede the attempt to use the wireless was improper and therefore the incident was regarded as closed by report of the facts today to the State and Navy departments.

One immediate result of the incident was the dispatch of American naval vessels to the Canal Zone to safeguard neutrality.

FOREIGN RULERS SEND MR. WILSON CONGRATULATIONS.

Cabinet Officials Call to Greet President on 58th Birthday.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Wilson tonight began receiving messages from foreign rulers congratulating him on his 58th birthday anniversary. The first to arrive were from King George of Great Britain, and President Estrada Cabrera, of Guatemala.

Led by Secretary Bryan, the President's cabinet called at the White House during the evening. Because of the cancellation of all state dinners and receptions after Mrs. Wilson's death, this gathering was the nearest approach to a social affair held in the White House for many months.

Among the messages received were several from parents of children named for the President, because their birth anniversaries were the same as his. Mr. Wilson usually answers such messages personally.

DIED

Mrs. Frances A. Walton at her residence, No. 619 Castle street Monday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock in her 58th year.

Funeral from the residence this Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment in Bellevue cemetery. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

THEATRICAL

Commencing Monday January 4th, for an indefinite engagement at the Academy of Music The Bijou Stock Company, direct from a long run in Atlanta at the Bijou Theatre, will inaugurate its season with that well known drama "The Whirlpool" The Bijou Stock Company will change plays three times weekly on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and will give a special matinee on Saturday. Among the vaudeville people may be mentioned the well-known Billy Elwood cartoonist formerly of the Philadelphia Press, creator of "Laughing Sam". Miss Ethal Dawn June, "The Living Mermaid". A huge water tank on the stage for this act. Mr. Jack Burk, the singing and talking comedian. "The Bijou Quartette," 100 lbs of harmony singing —the best ever; do not miss this.

Popular prices will prevail for this attraction and the advance sale for the first three days will go on sale at Woodall & Sheppard's Friday, January 1st, Ladies will be admited free Monday night if accompanied by one paid 30 cent ticket purchased before 6 o'clock on date of opening performance.

King Baggot at Bijou

Tis indeed another triumph that the Bijou will spring to the holiday crowds that are thronging the cozy corner of Wilmington every day, one that will score another "beat" for this most popular of all joy spots in the city. Yesterday the Bijou sprung a surprise by dishing out two reels more than they advertised. They are constantly doing this here of late, and they may do it again today. They will leave it as a surprise though.

Today's bill is headed by that tremendous release by the Imp players, "The Millstream", features popular King Baggot with Miss Arline Pretty, in the leading roles. It takes its origin from several recent cases in which men have been convicted of murder on circumstantial evidence, and notably the great Frank case in Atlanta, although the sordid motives that characterized this crime are absent from the play. It is a powerful portrayal of what circumstantial evidence can do to convict an innocent man, and gives King Baggot room for some of his strongest and most superb work. It will undoubtedly be one of the biggest features of the week, and is in two full reels.

Then comes Chapter 41 of "Our Mutual Girl" there being only nine more chapters to this entrancing serial. It is getting more interesting as the grand climax is approached, and Margaret will undoubtedly have the most exciting adventures of her career in the next few chapters. This comes in a full reel, too.

An exceptional comedy offering is "Love Disguised", a Joker featuring those popular ones, Max Asher, Louise Fazenda and Wm. Francy in the leading roles.

Remember—tomorrow, the second installment of the "Master Key". Thrilling—that is a very light way of putting it.

Mary Pickford Day at New Grand.

This is going to be Mary Pickford day at the New Grand. It will otherwise be big and important too, and bear in mind that the New Grand is just as warm as a toast. Its solid comfort on the coldest day is proverbial, being the only steam-heated movie house in Wilmington. Charming Mary Pickford, America's sweetheart, will be seen today in a great film, "An Arcadian Maid." It is one of the prettiest and most intensely interesting films ever seen. Besides this there will be four other big reels of films, thus presenting a show of five reels today for the same old tiny 5 cents admission. Heading this extra big quartet will be Essanay's sensation, "Broncho Billy's Double Escape" in which Mr. G. M. Anderson will appear in the stellar role, of course. It is a thriller all the way through. Another feature film of this swell bunch is "The Unknown Country," a gripping tale of the occult, in which hypnotism plays a big part. In the stellar parts of this great film story will appear Edgar Jones, Brinsley Shaw and Louise Huff. It is a story vastly different from any ever flashed on a screen before. Yet another is "Cause for Thanksgiving," in which Tefft Johnson will appear. It is one of the prettiest of all stories, and will make a person's heart warmer by beholding it. Selig also offers his masterpiece today in "The Butterfly's Wings" which is an intense story of gay society life; one with a big moral.

Tomorrow, featured by the 13th episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery", the New Grand will offer a big double bill, while New Year's Day it will offer, among other big things, "The Temple of Moloch", the only dramatic film endorsed by the National Red Cross Society.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The new Hemenway school building is completed and with the installation of the furnishings, the building will be ready for use next Monday morning, when the post-holiday session begins.

—Bond in the sum of $1,000 was given Saturday by Geo. L. Pridgen, postmaster at Kelly, who is charged with a shortage of $700 in his accounts. He claims the postoffice was burned with its contests, as a result of an outbuilding catching fire, and that he is not responsible for the loss.

—Young Frank Meier, Jr., is still suffering from a severe wound which he received from the explosion of a cannon cracker on Christmas day. There has been grave danger of lockjaw which has not been entirely removed, but his physicians have treated it carefully and do not look for any ill effects, although he is not entirely out of danger.

Elizabeth, N. J. Dec 28—Leonard E. Ware, of New York broker and former tennis champion died of pneumonia at his home here today.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET IS HIGHER

May Contracts Sell Up to 8.06, or $4 a Bale Above Lowest Level Recently Reached.

New York, Dec. 28.—Cotton was higher today with all deliveries making new ground for the movement on a further broadening of investment demand and continued buying by houses with foreign connections. May contracts sold up to 8.06, or 19 points above Thursday's closing figures, and more than $4 per bale above the recent low level. The close was steady and from 10 to 14 points net higher.

The market opened steady at an advance of 2 to 4 points on Wall Street, Western and foreign buying. There appeared to be very little cotton for sale and the failure of the advance to attract hedge selling from Southern sources doubtless contributed to the confidence of buyers. The steadiness of the stock market and reports of an improving business in the steel market also were factors on the advance. There was some buying during the middle of the day and prices sold 18 to 20 points net higher during the early afternoon. While there was enough realizing to check the advance at this level, there was nothing in either the trading or in the news to indicate that higher prices were attracting increased offerings of spot cotton.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 7.80; middling gulf 8.05; no sales. Cotton futures closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	7.55	7.69	7.55	7.64
Mar	7.69	7.89	7.77	7.82
May	7.89	8.06	7.89	8.01
July	8.10	8.24	8.09	8.20
Oct	8.33	8.47	8.32	8.43

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 14,576; exports, 12,946; sales, 3,075; stock, 339,272.

Galveston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 22,702; sales, 2,170; stock, 432,777.

Mobile—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 832; sales, 225; stock, 50,665.

Savannah—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 9,758; sales, 3,205; stock, 283,577.

Charleston—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 5,403; stock, 136,504.

Wilmington—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 3,474; stock, 49,010.

Norfolk—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 3,152; sales, 576; stock, 62,289.

Baltimore—Middling, 7½; stock, 4,220.

Boston—Middling, 7.65; receipts, 25; exports, 2,239; stock, 8,000.

Philadelphia—Middling, 8.05; stock, 5,569.

New York—Middling, 7.80; exports, 1,569; stock, 87,903.

Minor Ports—Stock, 61,497.

Total today—Receipts, 59,942; exports, 16,514; stock, 1,528,383.

Total for week—Receipts, 86,988; exports, 26,534.

Total for season—Receipts, 4,426,860; exports, 2,353,591.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 7 1-16; receipts, 25,138; shipments, 13,290; sales, 3,115; stock, 181,884.

Memphis—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 5,729; shipments, 1,979; sales, 3,100; stock, 273,230.

Augusta—Middling, 7½; receipts, 2,429; shipments, 2,606; sales, 834; stock, 157,972.

St. Louis—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 6,497; shipments, 7,344; sales, 76; stock, 32,404.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,708; shipments, 1,751; stock, 3,831.

Little Rock—Middling, 7¼; receipts, 769; shipments, 929; stock, 53,072.

Dallas—Middling, 7¼; sales, 1,913.

Total today—Receipts, 42,263; shipments, 32,899; stock, 702,193.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, December 28.—Raw silk advanced today from 7½ cents to 10 cents per pound. Notice was received from England that fine men's wear for Fall would be offered at 4d. per yard lower than last season. Cotton goods and yarns were quiet and steady.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, December 28.—Hogs—Unsettled; bulk, 7.15@7.35; light, 6.85@7.30; mixed, 7.00@7.40; heavy, 6.95@7.35; rough, 6.95@7.10; pigs, 5.75@7.30.

Cattle—Choice, firm; others weak. Native steers, 5.50@10.20; western, 5.15@8.00; cows and heifers, 3.15@8.30; calves, 7.25@9.75.

Sheep—Strong. Sheep, 5.85@6.80; yearlings, 6.90@7.85; lambs, 7.00@9.00.

COTTON SEED OIL.

New York, December 28. — Cotton seed oil was firm, early today, with lard and cotton, but later eased off under liquidation in January and lack of outside demand. Final prices were unchanged to four points net higher.

Sales, 8,700 barrels.

The market closed steady. Spot, 5.75@5.95; December, 5.75@6.00; January, 5.75@5.78; February, 5.92@6.00; March, 6.08@6.11; April, 6.20@6.25; May, 6.36@6.38; June, 6.45@6.50; July, 6.59@6.61.

FINANCIAL QUOTATIONS.

New York, December 28.—Closing: Mercantile paper, 4@4½; sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.8226; for cables, 4.8615; for demand, 4.8526. Bar silver, 48¾. Mexican dollars, 37⅝. Government bonds, steady. Railroad bonds, firm.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, December 28—Raw sugar, steady; molasses sugar, 336; centrifugal, 401; refined, steady.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Steady.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 7½; Santos, No. 4, 10c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quotad by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 12.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, stronger; new crop, fancy, hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 70c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts — Weaker. New crop Jumboes, 65c.; fancy, hand picked, 60c.; No. 1, machine picked, 50c. per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 85c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, Phone 110. American National Bank.—Advertisement tf

SHARP SETBACK IN WHEAT

Follows Decided Advance—Heavy Profit-Taking by Large Holders—Argentine Offerings Feared.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Heavy profit-taking by large holders, including a widely known speculator, gave the wheat market a sharp set-back after a decided advance today. The selling was influenced to some extent by fear that Argentine offerings would be an important factor in the near future. The market closed unsettled at a decline of 1⅛ to 1⅝@1⅞c. net.

Corn finished 1¼@1⅜ to ⅜ off.

Oats—Down ¼ to ½@⅝, and provisions unchanged to a drop of 2½.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—December, 1.26½; May, 1.28⅝.

Corn—December, 66⅝; May, 73.

Oats—December, 49½; May, 53½.

Pork—January, 18.62; May, 19.20.

Lard—January, 10.42; May, 10.65.

Ribs—January, 10.22; May, 10.60.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.26⅛@1.29; No. 2, hard, 1.26⅝@1.29¼.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 67½@68¼.

Oats—Standard, 50¼@50¾.

MARINE.

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List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Hermia (Br.), 1,305 tons, Leslie, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Newstead (Br.), 1,827 tons, Willett, Henry Whyte.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 3,289 tons, Holtasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Linke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. William Thomas Moore, 265 tons, Jones, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Schr. Alice May Davenport, 910 tons, Wiley, C. D. Maffitt & Co. (In distress).

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 28.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, 42c.

ROSIN—Steady; large, $3.15; small, $3.00.

TAR — Firm, $2.00 per barrel; per gallon, 8½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.25 per barrel for soft; $3.25 per barrel for virgin; $2.25 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 41¼; rosin, firm, $3.50; tar, firm, $2.50-11; crude $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Spirits Turpentine 2

Rosin 15

Tar 109

Crude Turpentine . . . . . (—)

Receipts same day last year crude turpentine, 6 casks; rosin, 4 barrels; tar, 77 barrels; crude turpentine, 4 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at 7c.; last year, nominal.

Receipts, 3,218 bales; same day last year, 1,200 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 87,183 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 807,584 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,840 bales cotton; 49 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—314 bales cotton; 48 barrels tar.

Clyde Line—64 bales cotton.

Str. Thelma—2 casks spirits turpentine; 15 barrels rosin; 12 barrels tar.

Total—3,218 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 15 barrels rosin, 109 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 19)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 60@65c. per bu.

PEAS—White peas, $2.50@$2.75 bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7 to 8c.; very dull.

PORK—Small, 10@12 cents.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 23c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. lb., dull.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 16 2-3c. per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—25@29c. per doz.

FOODSTUFFS AND FEEDS.

(Wholesale Price Quotations of Monday by Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

Flour—Fancy Patent, $6.25 to $6.50 (car lots).

Corn—Domestic, $1.00; Imported, 95c.

Meal—96 lb. bag, $1.95 to $2.00.

Oats—Mixed, 60c; white, 65c. bu.

Hay—No. 1, Timothy, $24.00; No. 1, Mixed, $23.00 ton.

Middlings—$32.00 per ton.

D. S. Sides—From 12¼ to 12¾.

Plates—From 11c. to 11½c.

Lard — From 7¾ to 8c., according to quality.

Coffee—From 9 to 12c.

Rice—Broken, 3¾c. to 4c.; Japan, 4¾c to 5c. Fancy Hear, 5 1-4c. to 6c.

Sugar — Granulated — Basis 5½c; lower grades, usual difference.

Molasses — Black strap, 15c; mixed, 28c; Fancy Porto Rico, 40c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., December 3.—Spanish—Farmer's stock—Market, steady, 85c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock—Market, steady. Fancy Jumbo, 3¼c. per lb. Fancy Hand-Picked, 3¼c. per lb. Extra Prime, 3c. to 3¼c. per lb. Shelling stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

STOCK MARKET RECOVERS

Much of the Ground Lost in Last Week's Declining Movement—Closing Prices Highest

New York, Dec. 28—The stock market today recovered much of the ground lost in last week's declining movement. Improvement began at the outset and was maintained to the very end, at which time the day's best prices were recorded. Trading was on a larger scale than at almost any time since the resumption of open dealings with activity most pronounced in the international group. Net gains averaged almost two points, with sharp recoveries from their minimum by such important shares as United States Steel and Southern Pacific.

The rise extended to a number of specialties, including equipment stocks and Bethlehem Steel. A few of the less active stocks, including Chicago and Northwestern and Chesapeake and Ohio, fell to established prices.

Much of today's buying came from the short interest but, according to reports the rise was accelerated by investment buying from out of town.

Heaviness of Northwestern was associated with the road statement for November, which showed a net loss slightly in excess of $600,000 while the Southern Railway suffered to a similar extent for the same period.

Foreign exchange declined to the bottom price of the year, cables and sight drafts on London being quoted at 4.857-8 and 4.85 respectively. Time money also touched the minimum figures made at 3 3¼ per cent. Mercantile paper of the better quality was easier.

Bonds were equally firm with the stock list, some of the investment issues showing marked gains. Total salespar value were $1,330,000. United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamted Copper	52¼
American Agricultural	offered. 48
American Can	25⅝
American Car and Foundry	bid. 43½
American Cities, pfd	offered. 59½
American Cotton Oil	39
American Smelting	56¼
American Snuff	offered. 155
American Sugar	101¾
American Tel and Tel	117⅝
American Tobacco	bid. 217
Atchison	92
Atlantic Coast Line	offered. 102
Baltimore and Ohio	69
Canadian Pacific	155
Central Leather	37¼
Chesapeake and Ohio	40
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	87⅜
Erie	22¼
General Electric	138½
Great Northern, pfd	113⅝
Illinois Central	bid. 107
Interborough-Met., pfd	50⅝
Kansas City Southern	bid. 21¼
Lehigh Valley	130⅞
Louisville and Nashville	offered. 115
Liggett and Myers	207½
Lorillard Co	bid. 156
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	8⅞
Missouri Pacific	9¾
Mexican Petroleum	52
New York Central	83⅜
N. Y., N. H. and H.	55¼
Norfolk and Western	99
Northern Pacific	99½
Pennsylvania	104⅜
Reading	143⅜
Rep. Iron and Steel	18½
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	75⅛
Rock Island Co	⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	1½
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	2⅝
Seaboard Air Line	11
Seaboard Air Line, pfd.	offered. 40
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	bid. 82
Southern Pacific	82⅜
Southern Railway	14
Southern Railway, pfd	58
Tennessee Copper	31½
Texas Co	bid. 131
Texas and Pacific	11½
Union Pacific	114⅜
United States Steel	49½
United States Steel, pfd	104¼
Utah Copper	48⅝
Virginia-Carolina Chem	offered. 17
Western Union	58½

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Market Displays Unusual Strength in View of Holiday Season.

New Orleans, Dec. 28.—Cotton displayed unusual strength today in view of the fact that this is the holiday period. At the best of the session October was 21 points up, while the old crop months were 16 to 17 up. Brokers said the advance would have been wider but for profit-taking on the long side, especially in the afternoon. The close was 3 to 16 points up net.

The advance was due, in a large measure to investment buying, stimulated by rumors of peace talk abroad and by expectations of a heavy export movement this week.

Bearish comment mainly was directed at the large stocks both at ports and in the interior, and at the poor showing made by the January option, which closed only three points up, indicating unwillingness on the part of the longs to face deliveries of spots. Stocks at the ports were about the largest on record, totaling 1,528,383 bales, thus fulfilling predictions that port stocks would be more than 1,500,000 bales before the end of the year. At the six principal interior towns stocks amounted to 702,193 bales.

Spot cotton steady; sales port 1,400; to arrive 1,615. Cotton futures closing: January 7.27; March 7.58; May 7.78; July 8.01; October 8.28.

HESTER'S WEEKLY COTTON STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks.

In thousands bales.

In sight for week ending 25th, 610; same seven days last year, 564; for the month, 2,165; same date last year, 2,024; for season, 7,352; same date last year, 10,018.

Port receipts for season, 4,340; same date last year, 6,972.

Overland to Mills and Canada for season, 429; do. same date last year, 614.

Southern mill takings for season, 1,448; same date last year, 1,661.

Interior stocks in excess of August same seven days last year, 243; do. for season, 2,327; do. same date last year, 5,096.

Northern Spinners' takings and Cap to same date last year, 1,527.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 29, 1914.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 37 degrees; at 8 P. M., 37 degrees; maximum, 39 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 36 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .23; rainfall for the month, to date, 3.17 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday 38.8 feet and falling.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Rain Tuesday and Wednesday; warmer.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 29, 1914.

Sun rises	7:17 A. M.
Sun sets	5:12 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 55 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	7:46	8:00	2:29	3:13
Southport	5:39	6:04	12:20	11:53
Masonboro Inl	5:28	5:53	12:00	11:32

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 28, 1914.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	52	38	.06
Asheville	cldy	48	24	.0
Atlanta	cldy	46	36	.01
Augusta	cldy	50	36	.0
Birmingh.	rain	46	38	.0
Boston	pt cldy	36	20	.0
Charleston	cldy	42	34	.12
Charlotte	rain	38	28	.01
Chicago	cldy	36	24	.0
Galveston	rain	62	52	.04
Jacksonv.	rain	48	38	.0
Memphis	rain	44	34	.04
Mobile	rain	50	40	.0
Mobile	rain	56	40	.0
Montgom'y	cldy	46	40	.02
New Orl.	rain	60	48	.36
New York	pt cldy	36	20	.0
Oklahoma	rain	42	26	.08
Palestine	rain	52	46	.84
Pittsburg	clear	40	24	.0
Raleigh	rain	44	38	.32
Savannah	cldy	44	34	.01
Shreveport	rain	50	38	.52
St. Louis	cldy	42	28	.0
Washing'n	cldy	36	10	.0

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 28.—Turpentine—Firm at 41½; sales, 68; receipts, 332; shipments, 265; stocks, 35,326.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 906; receipts, 2,615; shipments, 410; stocks, 146,555. Quote: A, B, 3.10; C, D, 3.15; E, F, 3.17½; G, 3.20; H, 3.22½; I, 3.30; K, 4.00; M, 4.50; N, 5.50; W G, and W W, 5.75.

Meeting the Opposition.

(New York Times.)

A member of the Democratic national committee tells of an "old timer" who, during the last campaign, took the stump in Iowa. It does not appear whether he gathered many converts to the party creed or not; but he certainly added to the humor of the situation.

On one occasion, when a vast crowd had gathered to hear him hold forth, he addressed them in this wise:

"Fellow citizens, our opponents are resorting to every form of dishonesty, deception, and underhand trickery to corrupt the voters. But, fellow citizens, we warn them," and here his voice shook the rafters, "we warn them, fellow citizens, that that is a game that two can play at!"

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By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of mortgage made by Holly Shelter Land Company to Surry Parker, dated the 29th day of August, 1914, and duly registered in the records of New Hanover county in Book No. 81, at page 443, the undersigned will expose for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the saw mill or loggin; camp of the said Holly Shelter Land Company, at or near WOODSIDE Station, on the branch of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad from Wilmington to Newberne, at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 29th day of December, 1914, the following described personal property:

One steel transfer machine with double cylinders, 6½x8½, now 7½x12, complete with boiler and high steel frames, and all fixtures thereto belonging, or which may have been added thereto, now located at the logging camp of the said Holly Shelter Land Company, at or near the said Station of WOODSIDE.

Also: Two double cylinder, double drum logging machines, cylinders 6¼x10, now used by the said Holly Shelter Land Company in its logging woods in Pender county, near the said WOODSIDE Station.

The sale of these machines will take place immediately after the sale of the transfer machine, and will be held on the railroad of the said Holly Shelter Land Company, where Machines may be located.

Bidders at the sale will be provided with transportation from the said logging camp to the place where the said machines may be located on the day of sale.

SURRY PARKER,
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Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT. EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA—IN EQUITY.

R. E. Summer, et al vs. Carolina Coast Products Co., et al.—Order Appointing Receiver, Etc.

To Creditors and Bondholders, and all other persons having claims against the Carolina Coast Products Company.

It is further ordered that all persons, creditors and bondholders, having claims against the said defendant, the Carolina Coast Products Company, whether by mortgage, lien or unsecured claim, be and are hereby required to file the same with the Clerk of the Court on or before the first Monday in January, 1915, setting forth in detail the nature thereof, duly verified, and the Clerk is directed to make proper advertisement to all creditors of this provision of the Order.

Witness the Honorable H. G. Connor, Judge, of said Court, (SEAL) and the seal at Wilmington, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1914.

ALEX L. BLOW, Clerk,
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.....	.....	.....	a6:20 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:26 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
.....	.....	.....	b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a8:04 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	c1:45 P. M.
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3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
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6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	7:41 P. M.	7:30 P. M.	7:20 P. M.
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10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 29, 1914. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 8:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:05 A.M.
No. 64. ‡ 8:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. ‡ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 3:40 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ‡ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. ‡10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

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Limited Returning Before Midnight, January 18th.

Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

TICKETS ON SALE DECEMBER 20, 21 AND

CANADIAN GUARDS SHOOT AMERICANS

One Killed and One Wounded, but Unintentionally.

REGRET IS EXPRESSED

Fatal Shot Fired in Attempt to Frighten American Hunters on Niagara River to Submit to Arrest for Game Law Violation

Buffalo, N. Y. Dec. 28.—The killing of Walter Smith and the wounding of Charles Dorsch, American hunters, by Canadian soldiers on the Niagara river near Fort Erie today was unintentional according to information gathered by the military authorities and forwarded to Ottawa tonight.

The soldiers were aiding a provincial officer to arrest the men for an alleged game law violation. Several volleys were fired over their heads to force them to come ashore with their rowboat. A final shot, said to have been fired for the same purpose, killed Smith and wounded Dorsch.

While deep regret over the incident was expressed by Fort Erie village officials, it was pointed out that the men were not only technically under arrest an dattempted to escape, but that they had violated a military order which forbade unauthorised persons to approach the international boundry line while armed.

Thomas N. Delaney, the provincial officer, said the men were shooting at ducks. He decided to arrest them and Captain Fite, of the border patrol, sent three soldiers to help. Delaney called out to the men that they were under arrest and ordered them ashore. The soldiers fired a volley. One bullet splashed the water near the boat.

"We'll come ashore as soon as we pick up the decoys" shouted one of the hunters.

They rowed up stream toward the decoys. Suddenly the boat headed for the American shore.

"Another Scare"

"They've got away. Let them go", Delaney told the soldiers.

"I'll give them another scare", said one soldier. He raised his rifle and fired. Both hunters toppled over in the boat which drifted to the ferry landing. Smith was dead. Dorsch was brought to a Buffalo hospital. His condition is not serius.

J. B. Curtis, acting United States consul at Fort Erie, made a preliminary report to the State Department tonight.

An inquest will be held Wednesday.

Immediate Inquiry Ordered

Ottawa, One., Dec. 28 Major General Sam Hughes, Canadian minister of militia, has ordered an immediate inquiry into the shooting of two American duck hunters at Fort Erie by Canadian guards.

"I greatly regret the occurance and will have a thorough investigation made", said General Hughes today.

Considerable nervousness has been caused along the border by reports of raids and stories that dynamiters have planned to blow up public property in Canada. Since the opening of the war the international boundary has been strongly patrolled by military guards who have orders to detain for examination all suspicious characters.

Reported to Bryan.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Bryan received a brief report tonight from the American vice consul at Fort Erie, Canada, saying one American was killed and another wounded while hunting ducks in Canadian waters. Mr. Bryan telegraphed the vice consul to investigate the facts and to afford every care to the wounded man.

U. S. GOVERNMENT WARNS GREAT BRITAIN

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to the point of diverting American ships into British ports merely on suspicion.

The United States asserts, moreover, that it views with growing concern the detention of scores of American cargoes consigned from this country to neutral porta, contending that it should be the duty of the belligerent to protect neutral commerce and prevent innocent merchants from suffering.

Treatment of Cargoes.

One of the most conspicuous complaints cited in the note is against the treatment by Great Britain of American cargoes of copper. It is charged that Great Britain is not according the same treatment to American trade in copper with the Scandinavian countries as to commerce in this product between the United States and Italy under the same conditions of shipment. Even though the Italian government has proclaimed an embargo on the exportation of copper from Italy to belligerent countries similar to the embargo in force in Norway, Denmark and Sweden, the consignments of copper to Italy from the United States are said to be held up while those to the Scandinavian countries are not molested.

The American government further records its position on consignments shipped "to order" or no specific consignee, stating that this circumstance alone is not sufficient on which to hold American cargoes and is of itself not suspicious. This view has been expressed by the Supreme Court of the United States, but Great Britain announced recently that cargoes shipped "to order" would be considered "suspect." Today's note points out that to hold consignments marked "to order", proof must be presented when the detention or seizure is made showing that a hostile destination is intended, or else a sufficient number of other facts must be advanced to justify further examination of the cargo.

It is in this connection that the United States remarks that commerce between neutral nations constitutes the normal relations of peace and not war and that the presumption of guilty cannot rest on neutral shippers but the burden of proof must be imposed on the belligerent who interferes.

Other Neutrals May Follow.

Although the sending of the note was not known to members of the diplomatic corps tonight and it is unlikely that the Washington government will communicate it to them with the exception of the British ambassador, unless they request it, high officials thought it not unlikely that the path marked by the United States would be followed by other neutral governments. South American nations especially have been keeping in close touch with the attitude of the United States on subjects of neutrality, and in most cases have adhered to the American position. As the note involves commerce mostly with European neutrals, it is believed that diplomatic representatives here of the latter will seek to learn the United States' view for transmission to their governments.

The position of the United States as expressed in today's note is a consequence of several steps by Great Britain, France and Germany on the subject of contraband. Although the Declaration of London, drafted in 1909, embodying the previous understandings of international law and new rules for the conduct of maritime warfare with respect to neutral commerce, had not been ratified when the present war broke out, it was thought for a time all countries would adhere to it. Great Britain, by an Order in Council on August 20th last, declared the Declaration of London effective with certain modifications. Germany announced to all neutrals her willingness to adhere to the whole declaration if the other belligerents would. The United States took the position that it could not accept piece-meal adoption by the Allies of the Declaration of London with their own amendments and declared that it would be guided by the general practice of international law, irrespective of the Declaration of London.

The German governmeht, in a formal note to the United States and other neutrals then voiced its objections to the British modifications which similarly the United States opposed.

Today's note follows in many important points the argument then advanced by Germany that British practice with respect to neutral commerce was a distinct departure from many previously accepted principles of international law.

STOCK LAW QUESTION IN DUPLIN NOT SETTLED YET.

Next Legislature Will be Called Upon to Act Again.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Mt. Olive, N. C., Dec. 28.—It will be recalled that at the last session the Legislature, the whole of Duplin county was made stock law territory, (a small portion of the northern edge was already under the stock law). It will also be recalled that the residents of the portion placed under the stock law by the last Legislature were very much opposed to such action by the Legislature, because they felt that the matter should have been submitted to the people of affected territory to be decided by vote. It will further be recalled that this matter received considerable attention in the last campaign, several anti-stock law meetings being held; and the question of putting an anti-stock law ticket out was very strongly considered.

According to reports coming from that portion of the county, the anti-stock law people are still very far from satisfied about the matter, and, unless the Legislature undoes its action relative to the matter at its last session and gives the people of the affected territory an opportunity to vote on the matter, it is quite likely that a determined effort will be made to induce the Legislature at its next session to create an open range territory, taking in practically all of the southeastern and eastern portion of the county, where so much anti-stock law feeling exists.

FLAREBACK FROM COLD WAVE HEADED SOUTHWARD

Expected Again to Strike the Southern States

Washington, Dec. 28—A flareback from the cold wave that passed today was sweeping southward tonight through Illinois, the Great Lakes states and the Ohio Valley to the Atlantic coast. It is expected to drive down along the coast by Wednesday.

Forcasters at the weather bureau said the latest disturbances was attended by increased cloudiness affecting the middle western states from the border to the South Atlantic and Gulf states and was causing material reductions in the temperatures throughout those sections. Preceding the arrival of the cold wave it was predicted that temperatures would rise tomorrow throughut the Atlantic states.

Storm warning were ordered displayed on the Gudf coast from Galveston to Pensacola.

ROOSEVELT "SMACKS" SOUP IN FREE LODGING HOUSE.

Former President Visits New York's Municipal Feeding Place.

New York, Dec. 28. — Theodore Roosevelt visited the municipal lodging house tonight. About 250 men were in line waiting to get supper tickets when he arrived in a big automobile. He shook hands with many, addressing some by name.

When he entered the dining room, where he took a seat, Colonel Roosevelt found 200 more of the city's homeless at supper.

"Gee, it's pretty hard times when a former president has to come here for something to eat," one of the lodgers remarked.

Colonel Roosevelt joined in the laugh and, smacking his lips over a bowl of pea soup, exclaimed "That's bully."

The former president spent more than an hour inspecting the lodging house.

NAVAL STORES PEOPLE PROTEST TO WASHINGTON.

Against Great Britain's Action Against Resinous Products.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28.—Protests against the British government's recent action in placing resinous products and turpentine on the absolute contraband list were telegraphed to Secretary of State Bryan at Washington today by Governor Slaton, of Georgia, and Governor Trammell, of Florida.

The governors request the State Department to ask Great Britain to reconsider its action and assert that serious injury threatens the naval stores industry if the policy is adhered to. Resinous products and turpentine are important industrial items in several Southern states.

The board of trade of Tampa, Fla., it was learned here tonight, has requested the principal commercial bodies in the South to protest the British government's action.

New York, Dec. 28.—Every sailor passing through the Panama canal will be given a Bible, James Wood, president of the American Bible Society, announced here tonight. Col. George W. Goethals, governor of the Canal Zone, has selected a place on the Pacific side as a Bible distributing station, Mr. Wood said, and when Col. Goethals returns to Panama next month from Washington, Mr. Wood will accompany him and examine the site.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

AMATEURS SHOULD NOT PLAY TO GRAND STAND

Code of Ethical Rules Laid Down for Athletes.

By Special Committee of Athletic Research—"Applause frm Spectators Will be Taken for Granted and Not Acknowledged"

Chicago, Dec. 28.—An amateur athlete should pay no attention to applause from the grand stand, according to a code of ethical rules laid dwn here today by a special committee of the athletic research committee. The rules says:

"Contestants will not attempt to play to the grand stands for publicity and applause. Applause from the spectators will be taken for granted and not acknowledged".

Further ideals of conduct laid down were:

"Opponents wil be treated as friends and honored guests even if they do not reciprocate. No unfair advantage ever will be taken of them. Good plays will be suitably acknowledged.

"Officials will be considered as impartial and competent arbiters. Decisions will be accepted without dispute, even when they apparently are unfair. Advantage will not be taken of lax rule enforcement. Ill feeling of any kind will not be publicly manifested even when an official is palpably competent or dishonest.

"Athletic rules will be considered as mutual agreements between contestants for the purpose of providing a basis of honorable competition between gentlemen. The letter or spirit of the rules will no more be ignored or evaded than will a gentleman's word of honor.

"Every honest and earnest effort will be mare to win a contest, but a dishonorable victory will not be accepted.

"An amateur always will be loyal to his team mates in every conceivable endeavor and will do his utmost to prove a worthy represenrative of this institution or club".

Concerning amateurism the code stated:

"A true amateur athlete will never intentionally make any misrepresentation regarding his ability, or intentions, nor will he continue competing as much after he has ceased to be in sympathy with the spirit of amateurism."

William Bell, of New York, was chairman of the committee of ethics which drafted the code.

FIERCEST FIGHTING IN BELGIUM IN A MONTH ON CHRISTMAS

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German armies in the Vosges mountains. The sound of the cannon firing was plainly heard in Switzerland.

French aeroplanes maneuvering over the town of Muelhausen, in Alsace, returned artillery to conduct an effective fire on the German positions.

FRENCH CONCEDE LOSSES.

Some Trenches Taken by Germans—Other Attacks Repulsed.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The French official statement given out today concedes the loss of certain trenches to the Germans but otherwise it claims advances for the forces for the republic.

Advances have been made in Belgium and in Lens the French progressed 800 yards. In the Meuse there has been slight progress and a German attack in upper Alsace was driven back. The French lost trenches to the Germans near Ypres.

The text of the communication follows:

"In Belgium we have continued to advance. To the west of Lombaertzyde we are usually at the foot of the Cand Undes on which the enemy has established his line of resistance. At a point south of Ypres we have lost a section of trenches near Hollebeke.

"In the region of Lens, near Carency, the enemy yielded under our attacks 800 yards of first line trenches.

"In the valley of the river Aisne and in Champagne there has been intermittent artillery fighting which was particularly severe in the vicinity of Rheims and around Perthes. Here the enemy directed their artillery fire especially against the positions to the west of Perthes conquered and occupied by us.

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been slight progress by our troops along the entire front.

"In the Vosges the enemy bombarded the railroad station at St. Die, but the railroad service has not been interrupted.

"In upper Alsace, to the northeast of Steinbach, a counter attack of the Germans was repulsed."

The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"During the day a violent storm has interfered with operations along the front. It is reported notwithstanding this, that we have made some progress in the Argonne region."

RUSSIAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Commander-in-Chief Reviews Operations of Past Two Days.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The following statement from the general staff of the Russian commander-in-chief was issued tonight:

"On the 27th there was no important engagement between the lower Vistula and the Pilica rivers. The German attacks were everywhere repulsed. The Germans suffered heavy losses, especially during a vain attack southeeast of Skierniewice.

"Between the Pilica and the upper Vistula the enemy has adopted the defensive.

"Our troops stormed the village of Szitniel which was stubbornly defended by the Austrians. The enemy has definitely evacuated the left bank of the Nida.

"To the south of the upper Vistula on the front of Opatow-Biecz the fighting continues to develop to our advantage. From the 18th to the 26th we captured 200 officers and 15,000 prisoners."

Key West, Fla., Dec. 28.—The British steamship Cragoswald, found from Hull, England, for New Orleans, reported to Sand Key this afternoon that the ship's captain jumped overboard early today and was drowned. The captain's name was not given. The British vice consul here has been notified of the incident.

THAW WILL REMAIN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE AWHILE

At Least as Long as Possible—No New Developments.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 28.—Harry K. Thaw intends to remain in New Hampshire as long as possible, his secretary said tonight. The statement answered a question as to what steps Thaw was contemplating in view of the recent Supreme Court decision that he should be turned over to the New York authorities to answer an indictment charging conspiracy to escape from Matteawan.

How much longer the fugitive's stay here might be, the secretary declined to estimate. There have been no developments, he added, and none of Thaw's leading counsel is expected to visit him for the present.

Thaw's mother who has been spending the Christmas holidays with him, left today for Pittsburg.

New York, Dec. 28.—Efforts to increase interest in the National Guard, and to have organized a state constabulary similar to that in other states, have been undertaken by the Merchants' Association of New York, it was announced today.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 28—The parcel post was called on today to convey the ashes of Teijiro Hasegawa, a Japanese artist, to Tokio, Japan. The package was accepted and started on its way after $1.10 in stamps had been attached.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 28.—The investment by the Russians of the Austrian fortress of Cracow has again been raised. Following the discovery of an attempt made by the Austrians to divide the Russian forces in Galicia, the Russians retreated eastward for a distance of 50 miles.

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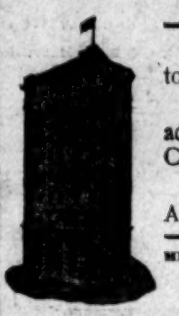

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